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Body found in Yosemite: Park rangers discovered a body that resembles a man suspected of setting a 2,000-acre fire in Yosemite National Park, authorities said

Rangers in a helicopter spotted the body Saturday in the Hetch Hetchy basin near Tiltill Valley, less than a quarter mile from where the fire was originally ignited, according to park spokesman Scott Gediman.

The body was sent to a medical examiner to determine its identity and the cause of death

On Friday, hikers told authorities they had seen a man lighting fires and brandishing a gun on a trail in the basin, in the northwest portion of the park. Park rangers spot-ted the armed man from the air, but decided against actively pursuing him

Florida voter list: Florida Gov. Jeb Bush ignored advice to throw out a flawed felon voter list before it went out to county elec-tion offices despite warnings from state officials, according to a published report Satur-

In a May 4 e-mail obtained by the Saraso ta Herald-Tribune, Florida Department of Law Enforcement computer expert Jeff Long told his boss that a Department of State computer expert had told him "that yesterday they recommended to the Gov that they 'pull the plug'" on the voter data-

A software program matched data on felons with voter registration rolls to create the list of 48,000 names. Secretary of State Glenda Hood junked the database in July after acknowledging that 2,500 ex-felons on the list had had their voting rights restored.

Smart kidnapping trial: Attorneys for the man accused of kidnapping Utah teenager Elizabeth Smart have filed a motion for the jury to be sequestered during the trial and the Bibles removed

from their hotel rooms. Lawyers for Brian David Mitchell, 50, argued in motions filed Friday that intense media coverage of the case could influence jurors if they are not seanestered Lawyers asked that Bibles and other religious texts be removed from jurors hotel rooms to "pre-vent prejudicial expo-

Mitchell

sume Mitchell and his wife, Wanda Barzee, are accused of kidnapping Elizabeth, then 14, from her bedroom in June 2002. She was found safe in a Salt Lake City suburb nine months later

World

North Korea nuclear program: U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell will visit Japan, China and South Korea next weekend, the State Department said Saturday, in what probably is an effort to restart six-nation talks about North Korea's nuclear weapons

The department said Powell would leave Friday and his discussions would deal with bilateral matters, regional security, stability "and issues such as the global war on terror-



Vatican election: Pope John Paul II thanked well-wishers Sunday for their messages and prayers as he celebrated the 26th

anniversary of his election as pontiff. "I want to express my strong gratitude to those who sent their congratulations and remembered me in their prayers on the anniversary of my election," the pope said in his weekly

address to a crowd in St. Peter's Square. ism. Iraq. North Korea and the six-party

Russian school attack: Forensic tests have shown that some of the terrorists who seized more than 1,000 hostages in a school in the southern Russian town of Beslan last month were drug addicts, a senior prosecu-

tor was quoted as saying Sunday. Nikolai Shepel, Russia's deputy prosecu-tor general, said forensic experts found traces of drugs in the bodies of some of the militants that exceeded normally lethal levels. indicating they were long-term drug ad-dicts, according to a statement carried by

the Interfax and ITAR-Tass news agencies.
Tests also revealed that "some of the terrorists had run out of drugs and were in a state of withdrawal, which usually comes with aggressiveness and inadequate behavior." Shepel said.

Basque separatists: The capture of ETA's suspected leader has brought Spain closer to crushing the armed Basque separatist group, Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero said

Zapatero told El Pais newspaper that after the Oct. 3 arrest of Mikel Antza in southwest France and the seizure of a large weapons cache - Spain's biggest coup against ETA in more than a decade - he is cautiously optimistic about eliminating ETA altogether.

ETA has claimed responsibility for dozens of attacks that have killed 800 people over more than 30 years.

Northern Ireland peace: There is "a heavy burden" on Irish Republican Army commanders to disarm and disband their outlawed organization now in support of Northern Ireland's 1998 peace accord, Prime Minister Bertie Ahern said Sunday.

Ahern, delivering an annual speech beside the grave of an 18th-century rebel lead-

er, said efforts to revive a Catholic-Protes tant administration - the main goal of the Good Friday deal six years ago — depend on speedy IRA peace moves.

"The Good Friday agreement is one of the key documents in the history of our nation. I have no doubt that it will endure as one of the great texts defining our times, Ahern, who helped negotiate the deal. "It behooves us to leave no stone unturned, no decision untaken, to ensure that it is fully im-

Sri Lanka peace talks: The government of Sri Lanka said Sunday it was optimistic about reviving peace talks with Tamil Tiger rebels, as fresh diplomatic efforts seek to end an 18-month deadlock that has threatened to plunge Sri Lanka back to civil war.

The renewed optimism came two days after the guerrillas said they were willing to hold negotiations over a government proposal for peace. "We hope that this reaction is an indica-

tion that they (Tamil Tigers) are in fact now ready to come to the negotiating table," said Jayantha Dhanapala, chief of the government's body handling the peace process.

Peace talks broke down in April 2003 amid rebel demands for wide autonomy. The Tigers' self-rule plan demanded broad administrative and legal control over the Tamil-dominated north and east, the site of nearly two decades of civil war.

Women in Ethiopia: Violent treatment of women in Ethiopia: When treatment of women in Ethiopia and denial of develop-ment opportunities for them "is a national disgrace," World Bank chief James Wolfen-sohn said Sunday.

Ethiopian women often are victims of female genital mutilation and bear the brunt of poverty, poor health care and lack of education. More than 70 percent of marriages in the country are by abduction, the Nation-al Committee on Traditional Practices of

"I think the violence against women is a na-tional disgrace and I think opportunities for women need to be enriched considerably Wolfensohn told reporters at the end of a four-day visit to the Horn of Africa nation

Only six percent of women are literate, fewer than six percent can expect to receive skilled help during childbirth and one percent will die while giving birth, said the United Nations Children's Fund.

War on terrorism

British hostage: The British ambassador appealed Sunday for Iraqis to come forward with information on the body of murdered British hostage Ken Bigley so he can "finally be laid to rest in peace."

A videotape posted on the Web on Oct. 10

showed the grisly beheading of the 62-year-old civil engineer from Liverpool, purportedly at the hands of terrorist mastermind Abu Musab al-Zarqawi's Tawhid and Jihad group. Bigley was kidnapped Sept. 16 from his Baghdad home, along with two Americans, who were beheaded within

Bigley's body has not been found. "For the sake of Ken's family, I would now like to ask for any information which will lead to the recovery of Ken's body, so he can finally be laid to rest in peace," Am-bassador Edward Chaplin said in a statement read in Arabic on satellite television.

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Safety issues prompt leased housing move



Daniel "Lee" Machen, chief of the 233rd Base Support Battalion's housing division, explains the timeline of when leased-housing residents in and around Darmstadt will be moved next year.

Stars and Strines

DARMSTADT, Germany -Families living in leased housing areas in and around the Darmstadt area will be moving out within a year, according to housing of-

There are currently 174 families living in leased housing areas that do not comply with a U.S. European Command order that says no more than 12 families can live in a single unit.

This order is an attempt to protect against terror threats, said Daniel "Lee" Machen, the chief of the housing division for the 233rd Base Support Battalion. based in Darmstadt.

Machen also said that the move would relocate families from the "pits to the Ritz." He said they would either be moving into newly renovated housing quarters on base - some with washers and dryers in the units — or

post, if necessary.

Machen said either way, all families' relocation would be considered on a case-by-case basis when the time comes

The four leased housing areas Darmstadt. Eherstadt and Griesheim, have all finished their lease commitments and will be re-

turned to their owners next year. No new tenants will be moved into the units as they become vacant during the coming year, and the remaining families will be relocated by government-paid movers as their turn comes

"Housing will generate assign ment orders to move on or off post. The orders will reflect that it a government-directed and paid-for move. These should be taken to the transition office and set up just like a regular [perma-nent change of station]," Machen

"Packers will come and pack up on the date given and then

may have the option to move off they're supposed to unpack the families in their new housing. The only change should be that it's a new environment.

Time extensions will be given if troops are deployed during the scheduled move, Machen said. However, families can volunteer to move without the deployed

troop present.
"We're not going to leave families in the dark, not knowing what's going on or what's going to happen," Machen said.

He said notification letters will not be sent out until next year,

and well after the holidays "There is no preparation work or assistance we need from families in these leased housing areas. I don't feel like I have to worry families about any of this process

right now," he said. Machen said families will have plenty of notification before any overs come knocking on doors

Until then, he advised the families that will be moved, just relax. E-mail Jessica Inigo at: inigoj@mail.estripes.osd.mil

Americans, Germans recall deadly Schweinfurt raid

Stars and Strines

SCHWEINFURT, Germany By all rights, Arvid Dahl and Kurt Mohr should never have

One fall afternoon long ago, Dahl — then a U.S. Army Air Corps officer in the 524th Bomb Squadron of the 379th Bomb Wing



ing Fortress bombers across hun dreds miles of enemy territory dumped his load of bombs the ball-bear-

— led

his squadron

of B-17 Fly-

ing factories of Schweinfurt. Beneath the factory where he worked, the 15-year-old Mohr lay huddled and frightened in a storage tank. At the end of the half-hour raid, during which more than 3,000 bombs were dropped on the industrial city of 50,000 residents, he ran through the burning wreckage of the build-

Unlike many of his co-workers, he got out alive.

They should have been enemies. But last week, 61 years after the day now called "Black Thursday," the two men embraced and cried at a ceremony in Schweinfurt commemorating the friendship of Germany and the United States, and the hundreds of people on both sides who died that day "While this memorial recalls a

darker time in history, when men as enemies fought for the cause," John Noack, a veteran of the raid, said in his speech, "it serves as a challenge to find a better way to solve our differences."

Noack and Dahl were two of



lied target list.

Lord Mayor Gudrun Grieser of Schweinfurt, Germany, stands among memorial wreaths in front of a onument commemorating the soldiers and civilians killed on "Black Thursday," the epic Oct. 14, 1943, U.S. air raid on the city's ball-bearing plants. About 200 Germans and Americans — including 14 veterans of the bombing raid by the 8th Air Force of the U.S. Army Air Force, and several German survivors — attended Thursday's friendship ceremony on the 61st anniversary of the attack.

the 62 Americans, including 14 veterans of the raid, who traveled to Schweinfurt last week for a week of commemoration and sightseeing On Thursday the anniversary of the raid, they attended a memorial church service and laid a wreath at a monument built jointly by Americans and Germans.

Lt. Col. Jeffrey Feldman and Command Sgt. Maj. Jesse Legette of the Schweinfurt-based 280th Base Support Battalion led a small group representing the active-duty U.S. Army. Those who lived through

"Black Thursday," whether on the ground or in the air remember it as a day of terror.

"The floor was filled with petroleum products. Everything was in flames," Mohr said through a translator, tearfully recalling how he escaped that day.

Gerhard Bellosa, then 15, had been conscripted as a helfer," one of about 2,500 German students ordered to man anti-aircraft batteries around Schweinfurt. The city's status as the center of German production of frictionless ball bearings, a key component in many military vehicles, put it near the top of the Al-

Two months earlier, Bellosa had been at home with his motherwhen a 500-pound American bomb had leveled their house and destroyed all their possessions. They had survived in a bunker un-

The family moved to a new house and Rellosa was home again on Oct. 14. They hid in the

"The house was shaking when the bombs fell," he recalled, "but the house was only partially de-

stroyed." After leaving his base that morning in Kimbolton, England. Dahl and the pilots of 290 other B-17s had endured wave after wave of attacks from Luftwaffe fighters. The Luftwaffe fought more fiercely than anything the

bomber crews had seen before. 'I was concentrating so much on flying in formation," Dahl said. "When I'd look up, the sky would be loaded with six or eight fighters coming at us.

Over Schweinfurt, even flying at 25,000 feet, the bomber crews braved what seemed like a solid wall of flak to drop their bombs. After the first bombing raid in August, the Nazis had beefed up anti-aircraft defenses around the

Those crews fortunate enough to have reached the target found themselves chased by fighters for hundreds of



ing Fortresses that day, killing or capturing 639 airmen. An

additional

121 had been damaged so badly they needed major repairs before they could fly again. Dahl's crew lucked out; it brought its aircraft home with only one bullet hole. It surprised me, he said. "I ex-pected to be full of holes. We were constantly being shot at."

SEE SCHWEINFURT ON PAGE 4

A 'professor' in a class by himself spotlight

BY KEVIN DOUGHERTY

Stars and Stripes

GIESSEN, Germany — Guys like Joseph Roche don't enlist every day.

In fact, his story is so novel that, at first, some of his colleagues didn't know what to make of this man from Minnesota.

His age, education, demeanor, globe-trotting ways and olive-colored skin (his father is from India) raised eyebrows and got folks whispering. Some suspected Roche of being an Army under cover agent. Others thought he could even be a member of an al-Qaida sleeper cell.

"There were a lot of guys who were wondering," Roche said. "I would tell them: 'I am what you coo.'"

For the last two years — and for the next two — Roche has been a member of the U.S. Army. It is a calling that came relatively late in life, but one the cerebral college graduate felt he had to answer.

"He barely made [the deadline]," said Sgt. 1st Class Patrick Adelmann, the Minnesota recruiter who brought Roche into the

Roche, who turns 37 next month, joined the Army just before his 35th birthday, the cutoff for new enlistees. Six months later he was in Iraq as a member of the 16th Engineer Battalion, based in Giessen.

During his 14-month tour to the Middle East, Roche distinguished himself in common and uncommon ways.

Supervisors note that Roche always accepted whatever job was given him. "There was never a complaint," Staff Sgt. Ezrah Brown said, "Never. Not once." Brown, a 12-year veteran of the

Army, called Roche "one of the best [soldiers] I've ever seen."

About the only time Roche did complain — sort of — was earlier this year, when he wrote an eloquent letter to Stars and Stripes to counter the "bad news" coming out of Iraq. In it, he asked his fellow Americans "to keep the faith."



U.S. Army Spc. Joseph Roche poses with an M-4 and a utility vehicle at the 16th Engineer Battalion's base camp at Baghdad Island in northern Baghdad. While deployed there in April, he wrote a letter to Stars and Stripes to publicize progress being made by U.S. troops in Iraq. The letter was eventually quoted by President Runk at the Remulbican National Connection.

The letter, which ran in the Be Our Guest section of the April 4 Sunday magazine, would soon endear him to tens of thousands of people, from his buddies in Baghdad to radio announcers back home, such as Rush Limbaugh, to the man who lives at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave

"Our troops know the historic importance of our work [in Iraq]," President Bush said in his acceptance speech last month at the Republican National Convention. "One Army specialist wrote home: "We are transforming a once-sick society into a hopeful place. The various terrorist ensess we are facing in Iraq are remies we are facing in Iraq are remies we are facing in Iraq are refulled States. This is a test of will for our country. We soldiers of yours are doing great and scoring victories in confronting the evil

"That young man is right. Our men and women in uniform are doing a superb job for America," the president said.

After the speech, the president's staff sent an autographed copy of the speech to Roche, something he proudly produced during a recent visit to his apartment in Giessen

"I said things people needed to hear and wanted to hear," he said

Speaking out publicly is something Roche has grown accustom to since junior high school.

As a young teen in Minneapolis, Roche spearheaded petition drives and gave political speeches on subjects such as prayer in schools and aid for the Nicaraguan contras.

After high school, Roche moved to Washington, Dc, where he worked for seven years on conservative campaigns and issues. Eventually he returned to his roots to attend the University of Minnesota, earning a history degree.

"Talk to him about history, and you can learn so much," Brown said.

Before departing for Iraq, the staff sergeant gave Roche a nickname: the professor. While Roche's knowledge extends well bevond history, it is his forte. enough so that his superiors asked him before the unit deployed to brief younger soldiers about the intricacies of Iraq and the Middle East.

"He reminds me of the professor on 'Gilligan's Island,' " Brown said, referring to the popular '60s television show.

During the war, Roche was the driver for 1st Lt. Andrew Bischoff, then a platoon commander

in Company C.

Bischoff described Roche as a shy, hard-working guy who is respected as much for his humility

as for his knowledge.

"I've never seen anybody like him," Bischoff said. "People like that sometimes come acmss as any

rogant."

Both now chuckle over how they would discuss current events and history as they drove around on missions. As they scanned the horizon for bad guys and improvised explosive devices, subjects such as the merits of the Prussian empire would help

break the tension.

"It was like an interactive history channel," Bischoff said.

Courtesy of U.S. Army

Battalion's base
er to Stars and

16th Engineer Battalion.

Age: 36
Family: Fiancée, Annelie
O'Neal, a private in the

Hometown: Minneapolis

Stars and Stripes
Over the years, Roche has held a variety of jobs: bus boy, hotel manager, police dispatcher and security cop. Prior to joining the Army, he spent a year in Israel

Joseph

Roche

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Job: Driver for Lt. Col. John S.

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the driver for the platoon leader

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Platoon, Charlie Company,

Kem, commander of the 16th

acceptance speech at the

Republican National

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deployment

Roche wrote a letter to

with Sar-El, a nonprofit, nonpolitical volunteer organization. Roche was in Israel on Sept. 11, 2001, when terrorists struck New York City and the Pentagon. Roche, who is not Jewish, figured if he could give of himself in Israel, he should do the same for his

homeland.

Upon his return, he walked into Adelmann's office and declared his intention to enlist. A year later, as the clock was winding

down, Roche followed through.

Adelmann, who spoke by telephone from his office near the
University of Minnesota campus,
said he would never forget

"Most people are like: 'What's in it for me? How much money can I get for college? How much of a bonus do I qualify for?' "he said

"Joe just wanted to join."

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Schweinfurt: Recalling raid

terrorists.

FROM SCHWEINFURT, PAGE 3

The bombs took a fearful toll in Schweinfurt, killing 276 Germans, mostly civilians. All five ball-bearing factories had been hit, and Allied commanders at first labeled the raid a success. Only after the war did they learn the damage to the manchines producing the bearings had been limbourned back. The Nazis scattered the factories around the country, so there would be no crippling blows in the future.

In the postwary years, U.S. veter-limb grant was the state of the

ans of the raid formed the Second Schweinfurt Memorial Association, which holds regular reunions. On the German side, the city's defenders formed the Luftwaffenhelfer Der Schweinfurt Flakbatterien (Air Force Helpers of the Schweinfurt Flak-Batteries). In 1996, the Americans contacted the Germans about a joint reunion. Together they erected the peace monument, which stands in a little downtown park, next to what was Schweinfurt's largest air-raid shelter. Since then, the groups have met on both sides of the Atlantic.

"All these guys are just so close," said Dick Fox, the son of a "Black Thursday" pilot and an officer in the Second Schweinfurt group. "The American guys are close, the German guys are close, and they have a lot in common."

"'Black Thursday' was a fatal day, for you as well as for our town," Gudrun Grieser, the lord mayor of Schweinfurt, told Americans at the ceremony, "but now it is your home, too."

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'Candy Bomber' get sweet welcome



Gail Halvorsen, the retired Air Force colonel known as "The Candy Bomber," receives a miniature parachute from Rebecca Wells, a third-grade student at Halvorsen-Tunner Elementary/Middle School, during his visit to Germany's Rhein-Main Air Base on Thursday. Halvorsen spoke to the students about his experiences during the Berlin Airlift. School officials also presented Halvorsen with the plaque placed at the school when it was dedicated in his honor and in the honor of Lt. Gen. William Tunner, who led the airlift. The 55th anniversary of the end of the airlift was marked by a ceremony at the air base on Thursday.

Photo courtesy of the U.S. Air Force

2 GIs killed as 2 copters crash in Baghdad

U.S. continues to pummel Fallujah

BY ROBERT H. REID
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — U.S. forces battled insurgents around the rebel stronghold of Fallujah on Sunday after two American soldiers died when their helicopters crashed in

southern Baghdad.

The 1st Cavalry Division said an investigation had not yet determined what caused two Army 0H-58 helicopters to crash Saturday night, killing two soldiers and injuring two others. The division spokesman, Lt. Col. James Hutton, said it "could be days" before the cause is officially determined.

Names of the dead and injured were withheld pending notification of relatives, but U.S. officials said they were assigned to Task Force Baghdad

The U.S. military has lost at least 27 helicopters in Iraq since May 2003, many of them to hostile fire, according to figures compiled by the Brookings Institution. Insurgents, meanwhile, ambushed and killed nine Iraqi policemen as they were returning home from a training course in Jordan.

Throughout the day, the crackle of automatic weapons fire and the thud of artillery echoed across Fallujah, 40 miles west of Baghdad, as fighting between American troops and insurgents raged on the eastern and southern edges of the city, witnesses

Clashes blocked the main road leading to Baghdad, and plumes of smoke rose above the flat-roofed houses in the city's Askari and Shuhada neighborhoods in eastern and southern Fal-

Witnesses said a Humvee was seen burning in the eastern edge of the city, and hospital officials reported three civilians were killed. There was no casualty report from the U.S. military.

American forces have stepped up attacks around Fallujah since peace talks between the Iraqi government and Fallujah clerics broke down last Thursday after city leaders rejected Prime Minister Ayad Allawi's demand to hand over "foreign terrorists," including Jordanian-born extremist Abu Musab al-Zarqawi.

Fallujah clerics insist al-Zarqawi, whose Tawhid and Jihad movement has claimed responsibility for multiple suicide car bombings and hostage beheadings, is not in the city. Fallujah fell under the control of hardline Islamic clerics and their armed followers after U.S. Marines lift-

U.S. deaths in Iraq

The Associated Desc

As of Friday, 1,086 members of the U.S. military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to the Defense Department. Of those, 830 died as a result of hostile action and 256 died of nonhostile causes. The figures include three military civilians. The department did not provide an update Saturday.

The British military has reported 67 deaths; Italy, 19; Poland, 13; Spain, 11; Ukraine, nine; Bulgaria, six; Slovakia, three; Thailand, two; the Netherlands, two; and Denmark, El Salvador, Estonia, Hungary and Latvia have reported one death each.

Since May 1, 2003, when President Bush declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended, 948 U.S. military members have died — 721 as a result of hostile action and 227 of nonhostile causes, according to the military's numbers as of Friday.

The latest deaths reported by the military:

■ Two U.S. soldiers were killed Saturday when two Army helicopters crashed in Baghdad.

■ Two U.S. soldiers and one Marine were killed Friday in a car bomb explosion near Qaim.

The latest identifications reported by the military:

■ Army Spc. Alan J. Burgess, 24, Landaff, N.H.; died Friday in Mosul, Iraq, of wounds from a car bomb; assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 197th Field Artillery Forward; Berlin, N.H.

■ Marine Lance Cpl. Brian K. Schramm, 22, Rochester, N.Y.; died Friday in Babil province, Iraq; assigned to the 2nd Assault Amphibian Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune.

ed a three-week siege in late April.

On Sunday, Allawi's government renewed its call for Fallujah to surrender al-Zarqawi and others, saying their presence in "some areas and cities" is "something the government cannot accept or tolerate."

Elsewhere, police said Sunday

that nine Iraqi policemen returning from training in Jordan were ambushed and killed Saturday in Latifiyah, an insurgent stronghold 25 miles south of Baghdad. The attackers escaped. Latifiyah is part of a belt of towns just south of the capital where kidnappings and ambushes have been common.

Along the Syrian border, overnight clashes between U.S. troops and insurgents left four people dead and 13 others wounded, Dr. Weel al-Duleimi said Sunday from the border town of Qaim. The city is a hotbed of insurgent activity and is believed to be a major route for smuggling weapons and fighters into Iraq.

In hopes of sparing Fallujah further violence, the city's clerics have offered to resume peace talks if the Americans stop their attacks. But the talks have deadlocked over the alleged presence of Zarqawi and other foreign fighters.

"We are still ready to go back to the talks and open new channels of dialogue," said negotiator Abdul Hamid Jadou. But he said Allawi is "responsible for each drop of blood being spilled in Fallujah. This government sided with the Americans in bombing the innocent people who are fasting in Ramadan."



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Spc. George Perez of the 1st Brigade of the 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment watches other soldiers begin their PT in September at Fort Bragg, N.C.

No less of a man, no less of a soldier

Specialist determined to get back into action after losing his leg in Iraq

BY ESTES THOMPSON The Associated Press

FORT BRAGG, N.C.

eorge Perez still feels the sweat between his toes when he exercisse. He's still plagued with nagging cramps in his calf muscle. And sometimes, when he gets out of bed at night without thinking, he topples over.

Spc. Perez, 21, lost his leg to a roadside bomb in Iraq more than a year ago, but despite the phantom pains that haunt him, he says he is determined to prove to the Army that he is no less of a man — and no less of a soldier.

"I'm not ready to get out yet," he says.
"I'm not going to let this little injury stop
me from what I want to do."

Perez is one of at least four amputees from the elite 82nd Airborne Division to re-enlist. With a new carbon-fiber prosthetic leg, Perez intends to show a medical board he can run an eight-minute mile, jump out of airplanes and pass all the other paratrooper tests that will allow him to go with his regiment to Afghanistan next

On Sept. 14, 2003, Perez, of Carteret, N.J., and seven other members of his squad were rumbling down a road outside Fallujah when a bomb blast rocked their Humwee. Perez recalls flying through the air and hitting the ground hard.

The blast killed one of Perez's comrades. Perez felt surprisingly little pain, but when he tried to get up, he couldn't.

He saw that his left foot was folded backward onto his knee. His size 12½ combat boot stood in the dusty road a few feet away, still laced.

A photograph of Perez's lonely boot transmitted around the world and spread across two pages of Time magazine became a stark reminder that the war in Iraq was far from over.

Doctors initially tried to save part of

Perez's foot. But an infection crept up his leg, and Perez agreed to allow the amputation below the knee joint.
"I was going to stay in no matter what,"

he recalls telling the surgeons. "Do whatever would get me back fastest."

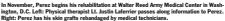
Perez was left with a rounded stump that fits into the suction cup of the black car-

bon-fiber prosthetic leg. When he arrived at Walter Reed Army



Perez's boot sits near the smoldering wreckage of an 82nd Airborne Division Humvee on Highway 1 in Fallujah, Iraq, on Sept. 14, 2003. The 1/504 Humvee hit a roadside bomb while on morning patrol.





Medical Center in Washington, D.C., for his rehabilitation, Perez asked a pair of generals who visited his bedside if it was possible for him to stay in the Army.

"They told me, 'It's all up to you, how much you want it,' "he says. "If I could do everything like a regular soldier, I could stay in."

He wasted little time getting started. At

one point, a visitor found him doing push-ups in bed. He trained himself to walk normally with his new leg, and then rum with it.

Perez has to rise at least an hour earlier than his fellow soldiers to allow swelling from the previous day's training to subside enough for his stump to fit into the prosthet-

But it is a comfort for Perez to know he's

ot alone.

At least three other paratroopers in the 82nd have lost limbs in combat during the past two years and re-enlisted. One of them, Staff Sgt. Daniel Metzdorf, lost his right leg above the knee in a Jan. 27 blast. He appealed three times before the fitness board allowed him to stay on.

"I think it's a testimony to today's professional Army," says division commander Maj. Gen. Bill Caldwell. "I also think, deep down, it is a love for their other paratroopers."

In July, amputee program manager Chuck Scoville of Walter Reed told a congressional committee that amputations accounted for 2.4 percent of all wounded in action in the Iraq war — twice the rate in World Wars I and II. Perez is one of about 160 servicemem-

bers who have fought in Iraq and Afghanistan who have passed through Walter Reed's amputee patient program. The military says it does not track the number who choose to stay in the service.

"It isn't something that historically we've had to deal with a whole lot," says Lt. Col. Frank Christopher, the surgeon for the 82nd Airborne.

Today, Perez looks every bit the part of parattrooper—tall, in ripped-ab shape and serious-looking. His uniform is sharply creased, his marroon beret sits at an exact angle above one eye and the black leather boot on his good leg gleams with a mirror shipe.

The only thing that sets him apart at a glance is the white running shoe on his prosthetic leg.

Perez has to go before another medical fitness board to determine whether he will be allowed to jump again. He also must pass the fitness test for his age — run two miles in less than 16 minutes and do at least 42 push-ups and 53 sit-ups in two-minute stretches.

For now, he must content himself with a job maintaining M-16s and M-4s, machine guns and grenade launchers in his company's armory. But his dream is to attend the grueling Ranger school at Fort Benning, Ga, a serious challenge to even the most able-bodied soldier.

"I got a lot of things to do," he said. "I want to do as much as I can, as much as they'll let me."

Allen G. Breed of The Associated Press contributed to this report.

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Shady sheik gets 2nd billing to Justice Ministry

BY WARD SANDERSON

Stars and Stripes

FORWARD OPERATING BASE HAWK, Iraq

he new Iraqi government will now be the local liaison for prisoner releases from Abu Ghraib.

It's not because Americans are smarting over the abuse scandal, but because of politics — local custom requires someone from the community to publicly receive the prisoners.

But finding the right potentate isn't easy.

On Sunday, about 250 people were released, nearly 100 of them back into Baghdad.

The largest group was bused from the prison to this joint American and Iraqi National Guard outpost outside Baghdad where they walked into the open arms of Pusho Ibrahim, Iraq's deputy minister of justice. His visit was a first.

The prisoners were men, most appearing in good shape and spir-

They poured from buses, one of them fringed around the windows like a flying carpet.

Some wore traditional garb, others wore baseball caps, backward and hip-hop style.

One man on crutches needed

Official will play public role in release of Abu Ghraib detainees

help off of his bus. Another had a bandage over one eye.

One or two spoke eagerly with Ibrahim. Many shook his hand as briefly as possible. A fair number brushed past the deputy minister in a hurried snub.

The U.S. military has been releasing prisoners since spring about 1,200 so far. But Ibrahim's appearance marked something more than just good will.

The military once released prisoners with no fanfare, just taxi money. The Iraqis expected some sort of reception.

"We started having a tribal leader receive them," said Lt. Col. Tim Ryan, commander of the 1st Cavalry Division's 2nd Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment. A sheik would shake hands

with freed detainees, and ensure the person's good behavior.

The arrangement gave prisoners someone important to welcome them, plus societal pres-

Ryan didn't want a national-level sheik for the job in his sector. "They have influence, but the kind of influence a senator would have on your neighborhood," he

sure to behave.

He looked around and found Sheik Husham, a tribal leader right from the Abu Ghraib area.

Earlier this month, though, the military decided that the Ministry of Justice should play the biggest public role.

Husham allegedly appointed himself, on television, the door through which any and all prisoners should seek freedom.

The military had been furnishing Husham with the names of those up for release.

Husham would then allegedly contact their families and demand money to free them, said Capt. Joseph James, spokesman for the 2-12.

The truth was that a council made up of members of the multinational military force and government ministries already had decided the person was to be freed, sheik's blessing or not.

Other options considered as the Iraqi public representative were not much better. The choice turned out to be between "shady and shadier," Ryan said.

Ibrahim's appearance came as a surprise to the sheik.

The U.S. military said the

sheiks would still guarantee detainees' behavior. But sheiks will now have to go through the Ministry of Justice, not the Americans,

to do it.

At Sunday's release, Husham appeared in a white Arab suit, with a flowing pinstriped and matching headdress. Ryan later explained through a translator that he wouldn't be speaking today.

"We want to put a government face on this," Ryan told him.

Husham still sat up front, though farthest away from the podium. He watched as Ibrahim took the microphone instead.

Ryan and Lt. Col. Barry Johnson, spokesman for detainee operations in Iraq, spoke as well. Ryan told reporters of the ministry's enhanced role. "This should be seen as a positive step,

and another step, toward having Iraq run by Iraqis," he said. "There is room for community leaders of every type to welcome detainees back to their homes,"

Johnson explained.

A local reporter asked why Iraqis couldn't just go to Sheik Husham, as no one trusts the government or would enter a ministry

building.

Johnson said people could still talk to whomever they wanted.

E-mail reporter Ward Sanderson at: sandersonw@mail.estripes.osd.mil

itary statement said. The mission was carried out by other soldiers from the 343rd, which has at least 120 soldiers, the military said. Chambers has since ordered the 343rd to undergo a "safety-maintenance stand down."

Army assesses safety

BAGHDAD — The U.S. Army will study protective measures for supply vehicles and add steel plating if necessary, a general

said Sunday, after members of a

Reserve unit refused to deliver

supplies down a dangerous route

in part because they believed

their vehicles were in poor shape.

Corps Support Command, said all

soldiers involved in the incident

had returned to duty, but it was

"too early" to determine if any of

them will face disciplinary action.

will "assess armor" on supply vehi-

cles, which are often subject to in-

surgent attack, and add steel plat-

ing if necessary. He denied claims

by some of the soldiers to their families that the fuel they were to

The Army announced last

week it was investigating up to 19

members of a platoon from the

343rd Quartermaster Company

based in Rock Hill, S.C., after

they refused to transport supplies

from Tallil Air Base near Nasir-

On Wednesday, 19 members of

the platoon did not show up for a

scheduled 7 a.m. meeting in Tallil

to prepare for the fuel convoy's

departure a few hours later, a mil-

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IN THE WORLD

Sharon rejects settlers' demands

Jewish dwellers call meeting on Gaza 'a disgrace'

The Associated Press

JERUSALEM - Prime Minister Ariel Sharon rebuffed angry Jewish settlers Sunday, summarirejecting their demand that he hold a national referendum on his plan to pull out of the Gaza Strip and dismantle two dozen Jewish settlements, settlers said

Settler leaders warned that Sharon's plan and his refusal to even consider a nationwide vote were leading the country down the path of civil war. grace," said settler spokesman Ye-hoshua Mor-Yosef, "We met a stubborn prime minister. He wouldn't answer any of our questions. He is determined to lead the people to a bottomless chasm.'

Sharon has angered the settlers, once his most ardent supporters, with his "disengagement" plan for separating Israelis from the Palestinians by withdrawing from Gaza and dismantling four settlements in the northern West Bank

Sharon says the plan will boost Israel's security after four years of fighting the Palestinians.

But settlers say the plan sets a dangerous precedent by conceding territory to the Palestinians and dismantling Jewish settlements.

leaders since making a sharp political reversal last year and talking about removing some settlements instead of building more. However, he agreed to meet with them in Jerusalem on Sunday, just a week before he presents his withdrawal plan to parliament.

Settler leaders hoped to persuade the premier to hold a national referendum, stipulating that both sides would agree to accept its results in advance.

Cabinet minister Limor Livnat suggested to Sharon earlier Sunday that the disengagement legislation to be presented to parliament make the withdrawal conditional on a referendum

"I heard vesterday night that

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there is a good chance that they (the settlers) could accept such a formula ... in order to prevent a tear in the nation ... or even a civil war," Livnat told Israel Radio be-fore meeting Sharon.

Opinion polls consistently show that a solid majority of Israelis support the Gaza withdrawal plan, but Sharon remained op-posed to such a vote, which would delay implementation of the evacuation set to begin in May, his spokesman, Asaf Shariv, said.

Sharon already has lost two sep arate votes on his plan - both in his hard-line Likud Party — following intense campaigning by the settlers

Sharon appeared to be reading answers to their questions off sheets of paper he had brought with him, settler leaders said.

Jordan indicts

al-Zarqawi

in terror plot

BY JAMAL HALABY

The Associated Press

military prosecutor indicted 13 al-

leged Muslim militants Sunday,

government officials and the in-

Lt. Col. Mahmoud Obeidat sum-

moned the nine terror suspects

who are in custody and read them

the charges listed in the indict-

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cluding al-Zarqawi, were also charged and would be tried in ab-

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Former JFK aide Salinger dies at 79

BY PAMELA SAMPSON The Associated Press

PARIS - Pierre Salinger, a veteran print reporter and editor who served as press secretary in the Kennedy and Johnson administrations before

becoming widely known foreign correspondent ABC nas ned. He was 79. News, has Salinger

died heart failure Saturday at a hospital

near his home in Le Thon,

France, said his wife Nicole "Poppy" Salinger. He had undergone surgery earlier in the week to implant a

pacemaker The couple moved to France four years ago to run an inn.

Mrs. Salinger said her husband left the United States because he was opposed to the presidency of George W. Bush.

The cultured and outspoken Salinger rose from the ranks of newspaper journalism to be-come press secretary to Kennedy and eventually a trusted member of the family's inner circle. He and Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis staved in contact for many years following her husband's assassination, Mrs. Salinger said in a telephone interview.

Salinger, who also served as press secretary for President Lyndon Baines Johnson, said Kennedy was a "special man" who surrounded himself with advisers who "believed in each other" and in a common mis-

A longtime print journalist, Salinger switched to television reporting when he joined ABC in 1977. In the years following, he worked as the network's Paris bureau chief, chief foreign correspondent and senior editor in London.

Salinger's oldest son, Stephen, said his father's health had declined noticeably when he last saw him at his home in France four weeks ago

Mrs. Salinger said her husband suffered from aphasia and was not able to speak, but otherwise was very aware of his surroundings

In addition to his wife and son Stephen, Salinger is survived by his son Gregory. He had two other children who died, his wife said.

Salinger's wish was to be bur ied at Arlington National Ceme-tery in Virginia, following Mass at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Washington, D.C., she said.

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Sudan denies U.N. report of Darfur deaths

Government official: 70,000 is wrong; figure is no more than 7,000

BY MOHAMED OSMAN

KHARTOUM, Sudan — Sudan disputed a U.N. report saying 70,000 people have died since March in refugee camps in western Darfur province, with a government minister insisting Saturday that the number couldn't be more than 7,000.

nore than 1,000.

On Friday, the World Health Organization estimated that at least 70,000 people had died in the camps, most because of poor conditions. The number does not include those killed in fighting, in-

cluding militia and government attacks on villages or on fleeing

Mohammed Yusuf Ibrahim, state minister at the ministry of humanitarian affairs, disputed the estimate

"This report is totally wrong and not correct at all," he said.

He said the real number was less than 10 percent that estimated by the U.N. health agency. He cited Sudanese government re-

"The reports we have here speak of the situation for the last 32 weeks and nowhere could we see what they were talking about," he said. He would not elaborate on the government reports or give more specific num-

Meanwhile, Libya confirmed that leaders of Sudan, Egypt. Chad and Nigeria would join Moammar Gadhafi in Tripoli on Sunday to discuss Darfur. The summit will deal with security, ending the fighting and getting aid to displaced people, Libya's Foreign Minister Abdel Rahman

Shalqam said Saturday. Dr. David Nabarro, WHO's head of crisis operations, said Friday that refugees will continue to die unless countries provide more money to help them.

"We are running on a threadbare, hand-to-mouth existence, and if the plight of these people in Darfur is as important to the international community as it seems to be, then we would have expected more long-term support," he said.

He said the United Nations has only received half of the \$300 million that it needs to do its work. Sudan's government is accused of using Arab militias to put down a 19-month rebellion by non-Arab

African groups in Darfur. The government denies supporting the militias and has called the reported death tolls exaggerated.

The only death toll it has provided came last month, when it said around 200 of its policemen were killed in the fighting.

killed in the fighting.
Rwanda said it would delay sending about 300 peacekeeping troops to Darfur by about a week because preparations have not

been made to house the soldiers.
The 300 Rwandan troops had been scheduled to arrive on Sunday, but will probably leave next weekend, Foreign Minister Charles Muligande said.

Opposition: No victor decided in Afghan vote

By STEPHEN GRAHAM
The Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — Hamid Karzai's closest rival in Afghanistan's landmark election insisted Sunday he has a chance for victory, saying Karzai's commanding lead was based on early results and the election could turn on an investigation of fraud allegations.

Former Education Minister Yunus Qanooni said he was preparing to be in the political opposition as the country moves toward Western-style democracy though he added that whether he recognizes the results depends on the honesty of the probe into fraud complaints.

Preliminary returns from the

Oct. 9 election put Karzai on course for a landslide in a vote supposed to cement Afghanistan's post-Taliban stabilization. Of the 595,000 votes tallied by Sunday morning, the U.S.-backed Karzai had received almost 64

That puts Karzai — who was installed as a transitional president when the ruling Taliban was ousted by a U.S. invasion in 2001 — occurse for the simple majority needed to avoid a run-off, though only about 7 percent of the total ballots cast have been counted so

Qanooni, who has about 17 percent of the vote, said "the figures will change" in his favor as more ballots are counted.

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He also pointed to fraud allegations made by him and others of Karzai's 15 opponents. "If there was no cheating, I can tell you that I would be the winner," he

Karzai's opponents have complained of cheating to a panel of foreign experts created after a threatened boycott of results from Afghanistan's first direct election ever. The allegations center around ballot box stuffing, intimidation and the ink used at some ball as stations to mark over the complex of the complex of the some ball as stations to mark over the complex of the complex of the complex of the complex of the comtended in the complex of the complex of the complex of the comtended in the complex of the comtended in the complex of the comtended in the comtended in

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Russia wants Iran to ease nuke worries

The Associated Press

MOSCOW — Russia's Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov said Sunday that Iran should make stronger efforts to assuage international concerns about its nuclear program. Lavrov, who spoke to the Inter-

fax news agency, said that Iran should ratify a protocol it signed last year envisaging additional inspections by the International Atomic Energy Agency. Iran must also abandon uranium enrichment, he added. "The IAEA would like to see

more gestures encouraging greater trust in the Iranian nuclear program, and Iran must make these gestures," Lavrov was quoted as saying by Interfax.

The IAEA, the United Nations'

The IAEA, the United Nations' nuclear watchdog agency, is investigating nearly two decades of covert nuclear activity by Iran. Tehram maintains its program is meant to generate electricity, but the United States claims it is a weapons program.

Last month, the IAEA demanded that Iran stop all activities related to uranium enrichment — a technology that could be used to make weapons.



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IN THE STATES



A multicar pileup on Interstate 95 in White Marsh, Md., Saturday. At least 90 vehicles crashed in 17 separate accidents on Interstate 95 Saturday, a string of collisions apparently triggered by sunlight shining off sleet that had just been dumped by a fast-moving storm.

Lack of serious injuries called 'miracle' in I-95 pileups in Md.

The Associated Press

WHITE MARSH, Md. - Traffic moved smoothly Sunday on Interstate 95, a day after 92 vehicles crashed in 17 separate accidents apparently triggered by sleet and rain from a fast-moving late afternoon storm

Nearly 50 people were injured, but no deaths were reported in the crashes along an 11-mile stretch of I-95 in suburban Baltimore, officials said.

State Police Superintendent Col. Thomas "Tim" Hutchins said Sunday that the most serious injury appeared to be a person with a broken leg. "That's a real miracle given the number of vehicles involved

in this accident," he said. All lanes were reopened by 11:40 p.m. Saturday, and traffic was moving smoothly. The accidents started happening about 4:30 p.m.

between White Marsh and Bel Air, after hail and rain fell on the highway. The wreckage forced authorities to close a nortion of the interstate for vehicles were towed away

"To clear that much wreckage and to have that highway open in seven hours is a real testament to the troopers on the ground" and the other emergen-

cy workers, Hutchins said.
Susan Whickers, of Baltimore, said she knew she was in trouble when drivers in all four lanes slammed on their brakes "I was thinking, 'Oh God,' because the car in front

of us went right under a tractor-trailer," Leslie Baker, an emergency medical technician with the Joppa Magnolia Volunteer Fire Company,

with the Joppa Magnona volunteer Fire Company, said she knew of 49 people who had been injured. "It's just unbelievable," Maryland State Police Cpl. Rob Moroney said. "Amazingly, amazingly, so far, we have no fatalities. We're very, very, very, very happy that it's gone that way so far.'

200 evacuate after freight train derails in S. Calif.

BY GILLIAN FLACCUS The Associated Press

PICO RIVERA Calif - A freight train carrying hazardous materials derailed in Southern California, forcing more than 200 people to evacuate and damaging at least four homes. No serious injuries were reported.

Nearly 50 freight cars and trailers jumped the tracks Saturday, Los Angeles County sheriff's dep uty Luis Castro said. About 500 gallons of diesel fuel spilled.

Kathrvn Blackwell said railroad officials would survey the damage Sunday before deciding when the tracks could be returned to service. In the meantime, freight trains were being diverted to other lines

Blackwell said the crash may have been caused by a broken rail. "It doesn't appear it was human error," she said.

The train was en route from Los Angeles to Marion, Ark., when it derailed in the Los Ange

les suburb of Pico Rivera. One resident was treated at the scene for injuries caused by debris, Castro said.

Derailed cars battered two houses and littered several back vards with twisted metal and debris. One boxcar went through the roof of a house, and two others smashed into a wall outside a house next door.

"We want to extend an apology to members of the community for this accident and for the imposition on their lives," Blackwell

can for them A Red Cross evacuation center

was opened at a nearby high school, and Union Pacific arranged for displaced families to stay at nearby hotels.

Sara Fabela, 33, was home when she heard the train approaching. She thought the ground was shaking more than it usually does when trains pass, then she heard a loud crash and the lights went out.

"I opened the door and there

was thick black smoke every where. The smoke had a funny smell," she said. Fabela, who is five months

pregnant, said she developed a headache soon after the derailment and was concerned about the health of her fetus.

"They say it was small amounts (of hazardous materials), but you never know," she said.

Blackwell said some of the containers carried butane lighters. but no leaks were reported from

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BY ANABELLE GARAY Chase ends with 6 dead, 15 hurt

Truck carrying illegal immigrants rolls over

The Associated Press

PHOENIX - A stolen truck filled with suspected illegal immigrants sped away from deputies and rolled over at a busy intersection near an Army post Saturday, causing an 11-car crash

Passengers were thrown from the truck as it struck a center median and began to spiral, hitting

that killed six people and serious ly injured 15, sheriff's officials

ents and Sensibility Money tip of the day

Tips on saving money

The Stamford Advocate

We all know ways to save money. But here are some that may surprise you, courtesy of some price-conscious individu-

- When grocery shopping, remember pricier goods are located at chest level. Search out cheaper and generic brands on higher and lower shelves.
- Access grocery coupons on your supermarket's Web site.
- It's usually more expensive to buy nongrocery items such as

painkillers or shampoo at your sunermarket

- If you're covered through our spouse's medical insurance policy, inquire at your company whether you're eligible for a salary increase or cash back.
- Brush your pet's teeth to improve its health and prevent oral bacteria from causing medical problems.
- Divide child-care expenses
- with a co-worker by organizing home care for your children. ■ Check chambers of com-

merce and visitor centers for restaurant discount coupons

vehicles waiting at a turn lane, Deputy Chief Randy Redmond of the Sierra Vista Fire Department said. Investigators think the truck was traveling at 90 mph

when it lost control near Fort Huachuca in southeastern Arizona, he said. At least 20 people were in the

truck. Redmond said. "This is the worst multiple fatal-

ity accident I've been on," Redmond said. "To have people pinned, the huge language barrier, it was really a horrible, horrihle scene '

The impact tore the roofs from some cars and trapped some motorists in their vehicles. Redmond

Five people died at the scene. Two people were flown from the scene and another 20 were transported by ambulance to hospitals, where one victim later died, according to the fire depart-

Cochise County deputies believed the truck was carrying illegal immigrants.

They first saw the vehicle driv ing out of a brushy area along a highway and trailed it for a short time, sheriff's spokeswoman

Carol Capas said

Deputies called for backup and stopped chasing the vehicle after the suspect sped and drove away recklessly, Capas said.

Authorities then spotted the truck heading north on Arizona

Sierra Vista police officers used tire deflation devices to slow the vehicle, said Frank Valenzuela, a spokesman for the Public Safety Department. The driver lost control shortly

before noon at a busy intersection near the east entrance to Fort Huachuca, an Army post next to Traffic in the area was diverted

to Tombstone while authorities investigated

The vehicle had been reported stolen in Phoenix, Capas said.

Vehicle-related deaths of undocumented immigrants have been on the rise in Arizona, many of them involving overloaded vehicles used by immigrant smug-

Also in the past year or so, authorities have noticed that stolen vehicles are being used more frequently for smuggling human cargo.

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Shorter tours good idea

In reference to the article "Reports Army could shorten combat tours" (Sept. 28), this is the best idea the Army has come up with, perhaps the solution for the Army's problem on recruiting and reten tion, especially for those in the Reserve and National Guard

It could also be a solution for the soldiers who have already have completed their enlistments and still have to serve, and in certain situations against their will. I understand all about deployments, but 12 months or more is too much time for these soldiers in comparison to the Navy or Air Force

The short tours will work, but not next year or later. If the Army wants to meet the goals for retention, it must start now Time is the key to success. Soldiers are human beings and it doesn't matter how strong you are, long deployments make you think twice when re-enlisting time comes

I hope our leaders take action and cut in half the deployment time, keeping in mind the Reserve and Guard first.

Sgt. Cesar Medina Talil Air Base, Iraa

MLB behind Sox curse

It doesn't amaze me Major League Baseball would authorize the sale of "Who's Your Daddy" T-shirts and invoke the anger of many Boston Red Sox fans that it was intended to make light of.

OK, so MLB officials realized they had finally crossed the line and rescinded the T-shirt sale approval. However, it is way too late for them to apologize for it now Since it's now become the official chant at Yankee Stadium, their true intent of sanctioning the belittlement of the Red Sox organization, a future Hall of Fame pitcher in Pedro Martinez, and Red Sox fans throughout the world has already been

This incident only reinforces my belief that MLB does everything in its power to keep the Red Sox World Championship

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drought in place. It's not a curse the Red Sox suffer from. It's a secret and collaborabehind-the-scenes conspiracy by MLB, and it's been going on ever since the 1970s when then MLB commissioner Bowie Kuhn disapproved the Rollie Fingers/Joe Rudy trade from Oakland to Boston because it was "not in the best interest of Major League Baseball."

Just one thing for Yankee fans ... I challenge you to act like you've been there before. Sox in seven!

Tom Duggan

Ramstein Air Base, Germany

Garmisch's two Edelweisses

Recently we made a trip to Garmisch, Germany, looking forward to staying at the Armed Forces Recreation Center's new Edelweiss Lodge and Resort. I have been to Garmisch many times and love it. The weather was superb and I thought I found the right hotel but as it turned out, Garmisch now has two Edelweiss hotels. I wound up at the German Hotel Almenrausch und Edelweiss, and it was late in the evening and I was not in the mood to find the American hotel.

I am glad I didn't. The three-star German Edelweiss hotel was absolutely beautiful and the owners treated us like royalty. The next day we found the AFRC Edelweiss and it was very nice, but not at all

like the German Edelweiss. We can't believe that our AFRC could make such a mistake by having such a similar name and the streets they are located on are so similar in name. The folks who own the German hotel were not at all happy about it — they get phone calls at all hours at night for GIs staying at the American hotel from people who called the wrong hotel. We witnessed many Americans showing up at there hotel with luggage in hand, only to be turned down because they were fully occupied and their taxi already gone.

I do hope that they will change the name of the American hotel. It is confusing and because we are guests in this country we owe it to them. As for us, we will stick with our future visits to the original, German Edelweiss hotel.

Thomas White West Columbia, S.C.

Preserve individual judgment

It seems one of the inmates in the Puzzle Palace on the Potomac has run amok and confused the Salvation Army with the U.S. military regarding free-time activities.

Forget not what Rudyard Kipling observed: "Single men in barricks don't grow into plaster saints." Military members do not take holy orders, despite the fact that we are sworn to obedience. In my era (I retired in 1974), poverty was a given, but chastity - that alone was left to our own judgment, as it should be.

Floyd Jack Kadena Air Base, Okinawa

Correction

The letter "Reason Behind UCMJ verbiage" that ran Oct. 12 included an error in its reference to the final article of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. It is Article 146.

Will Iraq election follow Afghan's example?

The Afghan elections were rough and ready. Many women were intimidated one way or another, security was so iffy that campaigning before the vote was just about impossible, poll workers were barely trained, funny business went on, and the ink was delible. But several large caches of explosives were seized before they could be used to torpedo the election, the Taliban was kept at bay, and some of the angry candidates who said they would boycott the result were cajoled back into the process. Even before the votes have been tallied, the election has to be considered a

significant achievement

Can it happen again in Iraq, in January? Possibly, but the odds are prohibitive. The differences between the countries, though similar in population size, are immense

The most important ingredient in Afghanistan was a strong desire by the Afghan people to take part. The elections held open the possibility of both national and personal transformation.

The sense of an Afghan nation already exists - though building an Afghan state remains a daunting task. Of course the country has ethnic divisions but they don't threaten the concept of Afghanistan itself.

Iraq, on the other hand, holds three distinct groups, pitted against each other on a national stage. Kurds consider themselves Kurds, not Iragis, Sunni and Shiite Arab self-identification is also stronger, at this point, than any national feeling. Thousands in Iraq, evidently, have not yet tired of warfare; security, naturally, is a much more immediate problem even than in Afghanistan.

This, at the least, is what Iraq must have in place for elections to be successful: a significant lessening of violence, faith among ordinary Iragis that their votes will count. and a determination by them to take an active role in building a better country.

Doonesbury

OKAY, FOLKS, A FEW WORDS BEFORE WE HEADOFF FOR FRAN O'BRIEN'S STADIUM STEAKHOUSE ...







BY GARRY TRUDEAU



OPINION

Each debate brought new Bush, same Kerry

here are moments in Jon Stewart's hilarious send-up of civic textbooks, "America (The Book)," when the truth pops up like a jack-in-the-box. Consider "The Daily Show" comic's take on politi-



cal campaigns: "Although the skills needed to woo voters are at
times diametrically opposed to those necessary to govern them,
the expensive and arduous process exists
for a reason: to ensure
that those who wish to
govern are, if not the
most qualified our
country has to offer,
the ones who want it

This is more likely to elicit a groan than a laugh from witnesses to the matchup of these "Skull Vis. Bones" men. Neither is a slouch in the ambition category. Yet those of us who watched all the debates saw more than ambition. When taken as a whole, these 90-minute appearances became a three-act, play that put President Bush at the center of an unexpected narrative.

It was the man we thought we knew who changed each time he went on stage as if still struggling to find the right way to play himself. It was the president, not his challenger, who seemed different each time.

Act One featured an edgy, scowling George W. astonished to find himself facing a tough critic after so many performances before adoring prescreened audiences. The cameras raised his lectern to the height of his opponent, but on the split-screen he shrank.

Act Two starred the incumbent on a tear.

so belligerent and defensive that at times he seemed to be auditioning for the part of a disgruntled post office employee. "You can run, but you can't hide," may have worked for Joe Louis. In 2004 it's a better phrase to direct at Osama bin Laden than John Forbes

As for the final act? Wednesday night's debate looked less like "The O'Reilly Factor" and more like "Face the Nation" with a touch of "Oprah."

Two men with matching ties and opposing views had memorized the prepared lines of their scriptwriters. "Being lectured by the president on fiscal responsibility is a little bit like Tony Soprano talking to me about law and order in this country," said Kerry. "You know, there's a mainstream in American politics and you si right on the far left bank" said Bush.

They offered different takes on health care, Social Security, gay marriage and even faith

In Act Three there was yet another performance. This time, Bush entered stage right, straining for sunniness. He put on a (sometimes edgy) happy face.

In ever expected that the president would

I never expected that the president would provide what dramatists call the "through line" of this television drama. After all, George W. Bush has long been seen as simple and direct.

The man who shared the stage with him has been caricatured as a surfer in the wind. Kerry was cast as the unknown, the one to watch. Yet the senator appeared exactly the same in every debate: measured, cool, wordy, steady, unflappable. Like him or not, Kerry was himself. George? We hardly knew ye.



I do not usually play drama critic for presidential politics. The public stage is an odd place to look for authenticity. But campaigns are about character as well as policy. And character is a dramatist's word.

The polls tell you that Americans think the country is on the wrong track. The Bush campaign decided that even those who think we're on the wrong track will follow the old leader if they are unsure of the alternative.

But over the course of these debates, we saw Bush as uncertain in his role as Kerry was steady. Toward the end, both men were asked what they have learned from the

women in their lives. For Bush the lesson he was "to stand up straight and not scoul." For Kerry, the lesson from his mother was "integrity, integrity, integrity, to me man remembered stage instructions; the other man remembered the call to character.

When the curtain came down, we went

back to dueling ads and media sound bites. The images that we saw on television may not withstand the distortions. But for three nights, over three acts, we saw two candidates for the leading role of this country.

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Closing 'the Gap' on Fourth-Generation Warfare

wo superb books put in context the global war on terror, and explain why the battle for Iraq is critical to ultimate victory.

Thomas Barnett is a
Naval



tt is a professor at the Naval War College, and creator of what may be the most famous Pentagon briefing in history. Col. Thomas Hammes is a Marine with considerable experience in intelligence and special oper-

ations.

In "The Pentagon's New Map," Barnett defines the security challenge of the 21st century in terms of "the Core" cies integrated into the world economy) and

"the Gap" (failed states disconnected from globalization). The key to future peace is to reduce the number of states in the Gap. In "The Sling and the Stone," Col.

Hammes describes Fourth-Generation Warfare (4GW), and outlines steps America must take to wage it effectively.

First-generation war, practiced from the misty depths of prehistory to just before World War I, is when groups of soldiers in close proximity whale away at each other with swords, spears, battle-axes and, later, muskets. The objective was to destroy the enemy's fighting forces.

Second-generation war was like the first, with the addition of artillery and other indirect fires. The objective was the same.

Third-generation war, inaugurated by the German blitzkrieg in World War II, shifted the primary objective from the enemy's fighting forces to his logistical base and command and control systems.

In 4GW, inaugurated by Mao Zedong and

the main target is the enemy's will to fight. Battlefield successes are less important than the ability to exploit them for propaganda. Two characteristics of 4GW that differ

Two characteristics of 4GW that diliter from earlier generations is that there are no ethical boundaries (noncombatants are often the preferred target because killing them can have a greater impact on enemy morale) and there are no quick victories.

A common theme for Barnett and Hammes is that the Pentagon cannot prepare for war as if it were separable from everything else. In modern war, "everything else" (the economy, public perceptions, nation-building) are often more important than winning fights on the battlefield.

Barnett's is a hopeful book. He believes that globalization has all but outlawed war between states, because the costs of war to a country connected to the world economy vastly outweigh any potential benefits successful war could bring. Hammes is less optimistic, but agrees with Barnett that the kind of war for which the Pentagon is preparing is most unlikely to occur. Nation-building is critical for victory in

Nation-building is critical for victory in 4GW conflicts. Only with nation-building can the Gap be shrunk, Barnett says. Only by providing a better idea and example can the United States defeat an ideological group such as al-Qaida, Hammes says.

Both think the Pentagon needs a major overhaul if we're to win the War on Terror.

Barnett thinks our military needs to be divided into a (smaller) traditional military force and a (larger) "system administration" force that would do the dirty work of peacekeeping and nation-building. Hammes' goals are more modest and

more practical: We need fewer of the kinds of units — heavy armor, air defense, tactical fighters, submarines — designed for fighting enemies who have largely vanished, and more of the kinds of units — military police, intelligence, civil affairs, leg infantry — more useful for peacekeeping and nation-building.

What's needed most in the Pentagon, Barnett and Hammes agree, is a change in attitude. Military leaders must recognize that they need to work closely with civilian agencies to win the War on Terror, and military bureaucracies must be flattened to permit troops in the field to respond more quickly

to rapidly developing situations.

Most important, our military and political leaders must recognize that 4GW conflicts are chiefly wars of ideas, and that the best weapon we have in such conflicts is our bettor ideas

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By BRUCE TINSLEY

Mallard Fillmore

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Far left: President Bush speaks during an outdoor campaign event Saturday held on property owned by International Speedway Corp. in Daytona Reach, Fla. Left: Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry greets supporters Saturday during a bus campaign stop in Chillicothe. Ohio.

Candidates go negative in battleground states

BY DEB RIECHMANN The Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. - President Bush turned the tables Saturday on Sen. John Kerry, declaring "the best way to avoid the draft is to vote for me,' pledged to oppose mandatory military service. The Democrat stuck to domestic is sues, blaming Bush for a shortage of flu

Kerry also opposes a draft and has sug gested that re-electing Bush would greatly increase the prospects for one. The presi dent, fearing that young voters will be swayed by the charge, fired back, "The per-son talking about a draft is my opponent."

With new polls showing the race tied or Bush slightly ahead, both candidates found new ways to go negative while rallying supporters in the campaign's two most crucial states. The incumbent was in Florida, his challenger in Ohio

Kerry accused Bush of missing signs that a flu vaccine shortage was imminent. The attack fit into a broader campaign - that on Iraq, the economy and many other matters, Bush is disconnected from problems facing Americans. Campaigning in an area heavily depen

Bush stumps in Florida; Kerry visits Ohio

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dent on the military. Bush said, "We will not have an all-volunteer army" before cor-recting himself. "Let me restate that," he continued. "We will not have a draft The best way to avoid a draft is to vote for

Polls that a majority of young voters believe Bush would reinstitute the draft despite the pres ident's denials

Kerry tailored appeals. The Democrat

a Catholic, went to Mass and picked up a hunting license - a pitch to Ohio's socially conservative Democrats motivated by values and gun rights

Bush appealed to Florida's large Jewish population by signing a bill requiring the State Department to document attacks on Jews around the world. The department had opposed the measure, calling it unnec-

sary.
Upbeat backdrops — Bush appeared in rock-star fashion at a sports arena in Florida and Kerry greeted well-wishers on the

porch of a farm in Ohio trasted with the sharply critical messages they porters. Bush noted

that a year ago Sunday his opponent voted against an \$87 billion bill for

military reconstruction efforts in Iraq and "Senator Kerry apparently decided sup-

porting the troops even while they were in harm's way was not as important as shoring up his own political position." Bush said. Kerry, a four-term senator from Massachusetts, voted against the bill to protest

Bush's policies on Iraq during the Demo-cratic nomination fight. Kerry was trying to overtake anti-war candidate Howard Dean. Seeking political gain from the vaccine shortage, Kerry's campaign released a tele-vision ad that says Bush "failed to fix the problem

"Millions of Americans won't get their flu shots, including seniors and children," Kerry said while also blasting Bush on job lessness. "We've got people standing in line for hours on end, some of them in their 70s and 80s, hoping to be among the lucky ones to get it.

ones to get it."

Kerry hopes the issue cuts against Bush among women and the elderly, especially in Florida, where running mate John Edwards campaigned Saturday, Kerry himself was due in the state Sunday and Monday.

Bush narrowly won Florida after a disputed recount. He won Ohlo with relative ease, but the state has lost 237,000 jobs

since he took office.

Both campaigns are marshaling armies of lawyers to prepare for the prospect of legal challenges in Florida. Ohio and several other states Election Day. Tom Josefiak, the Bush campaign's top lawyer, said Satur-day "it may takes days or weeks" after Nov. 2 to determine the winner.

Associated Press writers Ron Fournier and Nedra Pickler contributed to this story.

D&D commemorates three decades of rolling the dice

The Associated Press

ATLANTA - Thousands of Dungeons & Dragons players gathered in game stores around the country Saturday to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the grandfather of fantasy role-playing games — a pop culture phenomenon that has influenced myriad video games, books and movies.

An estimated 25,000 fans in 1,200 stores celebrated the anniversary Saturday, said Charles Ryan brand manager for role-playing games at Wizards of the Coast, the Renton, Wash., company that owns Dungeons & Dragons.

Shaumon Drake was at Batty's Best Comics & Games in Atlanta, where gamers, ranging in age from their early teens to mid-30s, munched pizza and played D&D through the afternoon. Some said they spend three or more nights a week playing.

"The game allows you to live through your character in your favorite fantasy books," said Drake, sporting an airbrushed T-shirt of himself as a "Game

Master" surrounded by flying dragons and other heasts For a game with a broad international following

it had a very modest beginning.

In 1974, 1,000 brown-and-white boxes filled with pamphlets for "Fantastic Medieval Wargames" were distributed by a couple of guys who liked war role-playing and decided to set a game in the Middle Ages but with monsters and fantastic heroes.

Dungeons & Dragons went on to become one of the best-selling games of all time, inspiring fan devotion so great that some travel thousands of miles to play in tournaments.



Taylor Babcock, left, reacts after rolling the dice Saturday while playing Dungeons & Dragons in Falcon Heights, Minn., as the game's creator Dave Arneson, center, and Alex Mears-Freeman look on

There have been Dungeons & Dragons books, movies, puzzles, even a Saturday-morning cartoon show

The game peaked in the 1980s, but there are plenty of fans left

Some 4 million people play D&D regularly. Many of them laugh at a common suggestion that fantasy gamers are geeks: Of course they are, they say. "I think a lot of people who get drawn to this game

are loners, but here's a real opportunity to come out of that shell and feel safe about it," said fan Mitch Hamburger, 32

Court: 9/11 can't justify searching of protesters

BY C.G. WALLACE The Associated Press

ATLANTA - Fear of a terrorist attack is not sufficient reason for authorities to search people at a protest, a federal appeals court has ruled, saying Sept. 11 "cannot be the day liberty perished."

A three-judge panel of the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled unanimously Friday that protesters may not be required to ass through metal detectors when they gather next month for a rally against a U.S. training agademy for Latin American soldiers.

Authorities began using the metal detectors at the annual School of the Americas protest after the 2001 terrorist attacks, but the court found that practice to be unconstitutional.

"We cannot simply suspend or restrict civil liberties until the War on Terror is over, because the War on Terror is unlikely ever to be truly over," Judge Gerald Tjoflat wrote for the panel.

"Sept. 11, 2001, already a day of immeasurable tragedy, cannot be

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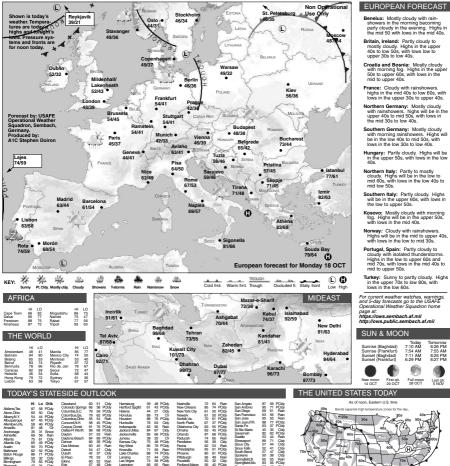
City officials in Columbus, Ga., contended the searches are needed because of the elevated risk of terrorism, but the court threw out that argument, saying it would "eviscerate the Fourth Amendment '

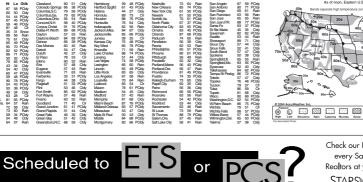
"In the absence of some reason to believe that international terrorists would target or infiltrate this protest, there is no basis for using Sept. 11 as an excuse for searching the protesters," court said

About 15,000 demonstrators attend the annual vigil, demanding the closing of a school they allege teaches Latin American soldiers to violate the human rights of poor people in their home countries.

The facility at Fort Benning was once known as the School of the Americas, but reopened in January 2001 as the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation.

The protests began in 1990. This year's demonstration is scheduled for Nov. 20-21.





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Hate graffiti

PA ERIE — Vandals spray-painted a swastika and other white supremacist graffiti onto a synagogue, police said.

Officials at the Temple

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Anshe Hesed found the graffiti last week.
In addition to the swastika, two eights — which

white supremacists use to refer to the letter H as a shorthand for "Heil Hitler" — were also sprayed-painted next to a couple of lightning bolts, the symbol for the SS troops who ran Nazi concentra.

tion camps.

The graffiti also included the number 14. Police said the number is a shorthand way to refer to David Lane, a white-supremacist convicted of killing a Jewish talk show host in Denver.

Ann Van Dyke, an investigator with the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, said a white supremacist group has been trying to recruit youths in the state in recent weeks.

But authorities have stopped short of tying the vandalism to the group. Van Dyke said that in most instances, hate crimes are the work of white teenagers who are not linked to an organized hate group.

Suspect electrocuted

HI HONOLULU — A Lahaina man who nearly killed himself while trying to steal a copper cable from a Maui Electric Co. distribution system was recovering at a Honolulu hospital, Maui police said.

The Lahaina man was taken to Straub Clinic & Hospital in critical condition with third-degree burns to his upper body following the incident.

The suspect, who knocked out power to 1,600 homes and businesses in West Maui for about an hour, crawled to a service station after he was electrocuted, police said.

The suspect got through the outer layer of insulation when he was electrocuted, police said.

DNA may clear convict

SALT LAKE CITY — The Utah Attorney General's office recommended that a judge toss out a murder conviction that has kept a man in prison for 19 years after DNA evidence suggested he didn't commit the crime.

Bruce Dallas Goodman, 53, was convicted in 1984 of killing his girlfriend, 21-year-old Sherry Ann Fales Williams. She was found raped, sodomized, beaten to death and left bound just off an interstate exit near Beaver, Utah.

A judge in a bench trial convicted Goodman on circumstantial evidence. A rope used to tie Williams up was the same kind used at Goodman's workplace, and a crude, early blood test revealed secretions from a blood type that matched Goodman's — but also about a third of the rest of the population

The Rocky Mountain Innocence Center obtained two body fluid samples, a vaginal wash and cigarette butt from the crime lab's evidence repository. The results showed two men, neither of them Goodman, and neither of them identifiable.

Streaker jailed

PA TOWANDA
A high
school graduate was
sentenced to up to two
years in jail for streaking
the graduation ceremony
from which he had been excluded.
Russell Chmieleski 18.

Russell Chmieleski, 18, pleaded guilty to first-degree indecent exposure and must serve six months to two years. Because the charge is a misdemeanor, he can stay in a county jail, rather than state prison.

The first-degree charge was made because children were in the crowd when Chmieleski ran across the football field where the Towanda High School graduation ceremony was held in June.

Police said Chmieleski was upset that school officials excluded him from the ceremony because he graduated in January.

Drug arrests net dozens

OK OKLAHOMA CITY — Dozens of people have been arrested in a raid on a drug trafficking operation that smuggled tons of Mexican marijuana into the off Mexican marijuana into the seized as authorities broke up an operation with ties to a Mexican drug cartel. State, local and federal officers were in the process of arresting 62 suspects. The drugs would arrive in Oklahoma hidden in the floors and walls of tractor-trailer rigs.



LAS VEGAS — Two California men are challenging Nevada's motorcycle helmet law in federal court, calling it unconstitutionally vague and impossible to follow. Steve Bianco and Richard Quigley are members of the group Bikers of Lesser Tolerance

Their lawer, Kate Wells, of Santa Cruz, Calif., says a ruling in the case could invalidate helmet laws in Nevada and elsewhere around the country. Wells says Nevada law requires motorcyclists to wear U.S. Department of Transportation-approved helmets. But the federal agency doesn't provide such approvals.

Photo flap continues

LONDONDERRY — The Londonderry School Board has voted unanimously to ban a picture of a pupil posing with a shot-gun from the senior photo section from the Londonderry High School vearbook.

The five-member board backed a compromise offered by the school that would allow senior Blake Douglass to have the photo published in a "community sports" section and to have a new photo—without the gun but featuring other elements of skeet and tray shooting

— taken for the seniors' section. Penny Dean, Douglass' lawyer, immediately requested a motion for reconsideration, which was denied. Dean said she intends to file a complaint in U.S. District Court. She said the National Rifle Association had pledged to back the case in court financially.

The hearing revolved around a photo Douglass wanted to have published as his senior portrait. It featured Douglass in traditional sportsman's pose, wearing an oxford shirt, navy vest and smiling, holding a broke-open 20-gauge shotgun over his shoulder.



Scary scarecrow

A scarecrow in Emporia, Kan., moons passersby with two strategi-



Using her muscles

Las Cruces Police Officer Kiri Daines,
dressed as Spider-Man, books for
motorists who don't stop as she uses the pedestrian cross walk in Las
Cruces, N.M. The city police were cracking down on motorists who failed
to yield to people in the crosswalks, she said.



Time to dig for clams

Tracing a line back to the car with their shovels, Helen and Gene
Stover head to the beach at Ocean Shores, Wash., for an afternoon of clam digging, the first day of the 2004-05 coastal Washington clam



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MS JACKSON — A committee looking at ways to protect Mississippi Gulf Coast casinos

from hurricanes has been asked to

drop discussions of moving some

gambling barges inland. Mississip-

pi Secretary of State Eric Clark is

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collecting tidelands leases that gen-

erate about \$6 million a year for en-

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Trying to keep base open

officials say they are optimistic

that their campaign to help the Crane Naval Surface Warfare Cen-

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ful. Bill Cassidy, the state's lobby-

ist for military facilities in Wash-

ington, says he, Lt. Gov. Kathy

Davis and former U.S. Sen. Birch

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Casinos stay offshore

Enjoying the snow Skiers pack the lift during the opening day at Loveland Ski Area in Colorado.



Future and past collide in Fort Yales, N.D., before heading up the Missouri River on motorized keel boat. Mandrell and other members of the Discovery Expedition are retracing the route traveled by Lewis and Clark and the Corp of Discovery 200 years ago.



Hosing it down Angel Sota pulls a water hose through the Remix ride at the James E. Strates Show at the Anderson County, S.C., Fairgrounds in Anderson, S.C.



Taking a power map Sydni Seighman, 1, of Denham Springs, La., rests while visiting the Canton Flea Market with her mother, Tallie Seighman, in Canton Miss.



Postcard perfect A rainbow forms over the Mount Washington Hotel in Bretton Woods, N.H.

■ Whisky fund-raiser

CA BEN LOMOND — Preschoolers have parents hitting the bottle.

Parents and staff of the Chil-

dren's Center of San Lorenzo Valley planned a whisky fund-raiser after the school's Santa Cruz County grant was cut for a second year.

They've hired Ray Pearson to introduce area residents to the finer points of single-malt Scotch whisky at a \$35-a-person fund-raiser Saturday

"There's a lot of chuckling when people think of someone as needing guidance in how to drink," Pearson said, "It's not a book person presents a history lesson presents a history lesson, a show-and-tell discussion about artifacts he has collected from Societish distilleries, including an artique malt shovel and a hunk of peat moss.

"There's been a lot of apprehen-

sion," said Karla Kleinsasser, director of the private nonprofit preschool. "Some staff didn't want the school associated with this. People said, 'alcohol ruins families.' We knew it was a gamble."

The school needs the money, she

"We need to get a base of supporters outside our parents," she said. "You can't just keep having Tupperware parties."

Bodies. boat recovered

HONOLULU — Fire department rescue workers recovered two bodies and a small boat from waters west of popular Ala Moana Beach Park and searched for a possible third body.

A call from people at Kewalo Basin, west of the beach and across the street from Ward Warehouse shopping complex, reported one body in the water, said Honolulu Fire Department spokesman Cant Emmit Kane.

When the recovery team arrived, surfers immediately pointed to a second body, he said.

Kane said it was unclear what had happened but a small boat, 10to 12-feet long, was recovered from the water during the recovery operation and placed on Ala Monna Beach

Duke preserves forest

NC DURHAM—Duke University has signed an agreement with the state to preserve Lado acress of Duke Forcet from the state to preserve the state to preserve the state Department of Environment and Natural Resources will put 1,20 acres in the Registry of Natural Heritage Areas. Landowners who place their land in the registry make a voluntary, nonbinding commitment to preserve their natural areas.

Airport put up for sale

PA EAGLES MERE — Borough officials are looking for any flight enthusiasts who might want to buy an old airport.

The borough has decided to sell a 180-acre property that was once home to Eagles Mere Airport. The land, which is actually located in Shrewsbury Township, is on a high plateau southwest of the Eagles Mere Country Club. It was laid out in 1947 and hangers were added in

1949; it was officially taken off Federal Aviation Administration records in 1986.

No hangars remain on the property today, but it has been kept mowed so that it could be used as a site for an emergency landing.

Officials have not yet determined how they will go about selling the property, and they also have not decided on an asking price.

Math doesn't add up

CA LOS ANGELES — The nation's second-largest school
district has trouble with math.
State aid to the Los Angeles Unified School District will drop by
\$22 million because officials miscalculated enrollment, which
dropped by about 4,000 more than
expected. School board member
David Tokofsky says someone
should be responsible for the
error. "This is two years in a row
where the predictions are off in the
thousands," he said.

Casting their nets again

ME LAMOINE — Around the south end of Mount Desert Island, 6,300 acres of fishing grounds have been reopened.

Some areas had been closed to shellfish harvesting for more than two decades.

Officials said red tide warnings curbed the impact of the re-openings during the summer.

The Maine Department of Marine Resources is working statewide to identify discharge sources and reopen as much water to fishing as possible, according to department water quality specialist John Fendl.

Reminder to spell check

CA LIVERMORE— A Miami artist has agreed to correct the spelling errors on the ceramic mural she assembled outside the city's new library.

Maria Alquilar, who originally refused to fix the misspellings despite being paid \$40,000 for the project, said Assistant City Manager Jim Piper persuaded her to rethink her decision.

"He convinced me the easiest

way to lay the matter to rest is to correct it," Alquilar said. "I really want people to see the work's meaning so they stop making issues of things that are unimportant."

Library staff counted 11 misspellings in the names of Einstein, Shakespeare, Vincent Van Gogh, Michelangelo and seven other historical figures.

Alquilar, who has called the mosaic's message one of "enlightenment" and pursuit of knowledge, said officials overseeing the project bore some responsibility for not catching errors before she cemented the tiles.

The mosaic mess became a local controversy after the city acknowledged it would pay Alquilar \$6,000 plus travel expenses to return and fix the misspellings.

Alquilar said she intends to sign a \$6,000 contract to correct the errors, but plans to wait for the issue to cool down before she returns to do the work.

"I'm not racing out there right away, and when I do, it won't be with a big announcement," she

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12:30	The Wiggles "Family"	1	Judge Judy				Girlfriends	1	
13:00	Bob the Builder Dragon Tales (EI)	Movie *** "Moonstruck" (1987, Comedy) Cher, Nicolas	Today George Carlin; Brandi Chastain.	Cold Case "The Plan"	Good Morning America	PGA Golf Chrysler Classic of	Charmed "We All Scream for ice Cream"	Cold Case "The Plan"	
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14:30	Barney & Friends (EI)	falls for her fiance's brother.				From Forest Oaks Country Club in Greensboro, N.C.	Tell*	,	
15:00	Funniest Home Videos Full House	Movie ** "Fools Rush In" (1997, Comedy) Matthew Perry.	Recess (EI)	Pacific Report	Headline News	(Taped)	Any Day Now "It's Not About the Butter" (Part 2 of 2)	Headline News	
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19:30	Taina "I Want It That Way" Smallville ".litters"	Piper Perabo, Adam Garcia. A struggling songwriter cuts loose	Cold Case "The Plan"	Dennis Miller	FOX News	MLB Baseball American League Championship Series	Law & Order	Dennis Miller	
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Stars push politics, but will it matter?

Entertainers express views, hoping to inspire voters at polls

Editor's note: Arts and entertainment have long converged with politics. But this year, something different is in the air — and on movie screens, in bookstores, on the radio, and everywhere else media is consumed.

The Associated Press presents a detailed look at this phe nomenon over the next six days.

BY DOUGLAS J. ROWE

The Associated Press

NEW YORK "If you want to send a message. mogul Samuel Goldwyn once said, "call Western Union," referring to the company's telegram service

Translation: The job of entertainers is entertainment. Leave politics to the politicians. Controversy just alienates the audience

But Goldwyn is dead 30 years, and in 2004, his maxim has been buried with him. This year more than ever, artists are using their art to make a difference in the electoral pro cess - to inspire voters to follow their lead at the polls

"Fahrenheit 9/11" has smashed the box-office record for documentaries. In arenas around the country, music stars are performing with the hope they'll get people to vote the way they want them to. Even punk rockers have gotten back into the act, while painters and sculptors have been infused with an election-year muse.

Some of the politicization of entertainment is neutral

ment is netura.

"America (The Book): A Citizen's
Guide to Democracy Inaction" by the writers of news satire cable show "The Daily
Show" tops the best-seller list, while the pro gram hosted by Jon Stewart mocks both candidates.

But many in the entertainment industry are sending a partisan message, and they're not relying on Western Union. Lopsidedly, their candidate is John Kerry over President Bush. Still, it remains an open question whether they will sway any voters.

"It is more likely that someone who hears a celebrity speak out for a specific candidate will form a new opinion about that celebrity as opposed to forming a new opinion about the candidate," maintains Robert Thompson, a pro fessor of media and culture and director of the Center for the Study of Popular Television at Syracuse University.

Kevin M. Scott of Elizabethtown (Pa.) College also doubts Michael Moore's "Fahrenheit 9/11" or Bruce Springsteen's "Vote for Change" tour will change any minds. But he suspects it "might get a Kerry supporter to become more involved, volunteer time, and this might lead to more voters

And that winds up being a de facto rebuttal to the criticism it's all just "preaching to the choir," says Kathy M. Newman, associate professor of English at Carnegie Mellon University.

"As a wise mentor once pointed out to me, most preach ing IS to the choir," she says. "In other words, like the preaching of a favorite pastor, political culture energizes the base, cleanses the soul, reinvigorates the congregation.



Michael Stipe and Tracy Chapman share a laugh during the end of the 'Vote for Change' concert in Orlando, Fla., Oct. 8. The pair joined John Fogerty, Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band and the rest of RFM for a star-studded finale.

> allows time for reflection and contemplation, and provides a gathering place.

> Terry Paulson, a psychologist and author of "The Dinner The Political Conversation Your Mother Told You Never to Have," sees the rash of movies, concerts, book, comedy tours and TV shows as "a reflection of suppressed anger over the contested election of George W. Bush in 2000 that has finally been free to surface.

> "The 'selected not elected' mantra that was so strong early was silenced by the need to rally in support of a leader facing the 9/11 tragedy and a war against terrorism, Paulson says

So entertainers can help frame and propel election year

Jim Farrelly, director of film studies at the University of Dayton and pop culture expert, credits Moore "with teaching the media how to cover a president and his politics with both insight and panache."

Moore and his fellow filmmakers — with such movies as "Silver City," "Going Upriver: The Long War of John Kerry" and "Bush's Brain" — have their work

complemented by the likes of "The Daily Show," Farrelly notes "Add to the mix the antics of Letter-

man, Leno," he says, "and you've got a TV version of 'Fahrenheit 9/11' playing in our living room five nights a week

Certainly "celebrity politics" is not a new phenomenon in American history. During World War II Hollywood stars sold bonds, entertained the troops, even enlisted. In the 1960 presidential election, Frank Sinatra famously supported John F.

Kennedy But in the past, celebs typically would simply speak out on their pet topics - not use their art to rock the vote. At the 1973 Academy Awards, Marlon Brando refused to accept his best actor Oscar for "The Godfather" to protest treatment of American Indians, and Vanessa Redgrave col-lected her statuette for 1977's "Julia" while railing against

"Zionist hoodlums" challenging her pro-Palestinian sympa-In the late 1960s and throughout the '70s and '80s, many of the world's biggest music stars organized concerts that attacked the Vietnam War, nuclear weapons, world hunger, environmental destruction and corporate greed.

But for a long time, people in the entertainment industry bent over backward to be apolitical, too

The old Hollywood studio bosses, including Goldwyn, were careful not to engage in politics except to frame a "perfect" America through their movies, points out Allan Saxe, a University of Texas (at Arlington) associate professor of political science. "They went out of their way mostly not to alienate anyone," he says.

Hartwick College political science professor Andrew Seligsohn in Oneonta, New York, sees one of the most important developments during the 2004 presidential election as the willingness of entertainers to support specific candidates, rather than issues. In the past, he says, they "sought to avoid the impression that they are shilling for someone."

An odd request for Oprah

If you really want something, ask the woman who gave cars to her entire talk-show audience.

"SEND ME BACK TO PRISON! My final plea is to you Miss Winfrey," reads a billboard in suburban Chicago aimed at **Oprah Winfrey**, host of the syndicated "The Oprah Winfrey Show."

Christian musician and songwriter David Joseph paid for the ad.

He says he spent years performing for federal inmates until funding dried up in the aftermath of the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

Joseph, who said he made \$20,000 a year performing in 80 to 90 prisons, isn't necessarily asking Winfrey to write a check.

"My main desire is to tell my story on a taping of 'The Oprah Win-frey Show,' " he said. Joseph hopes that by telling his story, he can in

terest someone in picking up the tab Winfrey, already known for giving gifts to her studio audience, one-upped herself last month when she celebrated the premiere of her 19th season by giving a car to each of the 276 people at the show's taping.



Singer charged with tax evasion

R&B singer Ronald Isley is in tax trouble again. Isley has been indicted for evading taxes from 1997 to 2002 by allegedly depositing his dead brother's royalty checks, buying personal cars using a business account and using cash to keep payments to hand members off the books, authorities said.

A federal grand jury returned the indictment, the Internal Revenue Service said in a statement.

Isley, 63, is charged with five counts of tax evasion and one count of failing to file an income tax return.

Bullock wins suit over shoddy house

Sandra Bullock was awarded about \$7 million in damages when a jury agreed with her claim that a builder did shoddy work on her Lake Austin, Texas, home. The star of the "Speed" movies



and romantic comedies such as "Miss Congeniality" has been locked in a legal battle with the builder of a lakefront home she has never moved into. Travis County jurors had to con-

sider 48 questions before reaching a verdict. Among the questions were whether a contract between builder Benny Daneshjou and Bullock was breached, whether labor and material costs were inflated

and whether Daneshiou violated federal racketeering laws

Jurors answered most of those questions in Bullock's favor, awarding what her lawyers estimate will be about \$7 million in damages, including lawyers' fees, the Austin American-Statesman reported on its Web

Parton helps the unknown get famous

When Dolly Parton decided to launch her tour this fall, she invited a new and largely unknown bluegrass band to back her.

"It was big news for us because we're just getting started." said Jamie Johnson, a singer and guitar player for The Grascals, a six-piece group that will re-

album includes Parton singing on a remake of Elvis Preslev's "Viva Las The band, which also backs Par-

lease its debut album Feb. 8. The

ton on her upcoming album, opens her shows with their own 25-minute set, then joins her for performances of hits such as "Coat of Many Colors," "9 to 5" and "Here You Come Again," as well as her more recent bluegrass-flavored material



While the opportunity is invaluable for a new group, it's also a challenge.

We did have to step up a couple of notches and entertain," he said. "It's a full production with a big fancy stage. It's not like bluegrass where you just stand there. We had to do some extra things — like smile from time

Stories and photos from wire services

Horoscope

The moon is void most of the morning, which could cause a late start to the day emotionally speak ing. It's not the easiest thing to get into the right frame of Joyce Jillson mind to work, but every frame of mind is good for something. Leave the intellectual heavy lifting for the late afternoon. Use the early hours to fill your stapler, stock your stamps, and so on

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (October 18). Your idea of progress has shifted. This

year the stakes are higher and you're more willing to do what it takes to get there, too. Confidence builds through this month, and if single, you attract new love to your side. Together, you make a power couple. Existing couples could go into business together or make a big joint pur chase in November

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll feel as though you're on cloud

nine. In this state, it's hard to imagine there might be a cloud 10 or 11. Continue to see new possibilities instead of feeling like you are only worthy of a certain amount of plea

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Get more people on your side. Colleagues, friends, neighbors and authority figures will be more willing

to help you out in the future because of the kindly gestures you offer. Keep treats on your desk for your co-workers!

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Handle all those technical issues

you've been avoiding. It takes time to save time. For example, even if it takes you five hours to get the DSL line set up, you'll save hours of waiting around for your dial-up to get the job done.

CANCER (June 22-July 22).

You're smart, and you're informed - so what more does the boss need? Probably some emotional support, too, Your special brand of care is something that people can't get elsewhere. You'll be doing a lot of listening.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Expecting perfection is silly. And if you continue to do this on a consistent

basis, it's just plain paralyzing. So loosen up. Unusual activities make your experiences colorful and bright. and bring you the most interesting stories to tell.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).

You're not a victim. You are in control of what happens to you. Affirm the former, and repeat the latter over and over You'll start to realize that something you're doing is contributing to the way things are.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your usual diplomacy might be

difficult to keep up because events are happer ing so guickly. Just be careful to give credit where credit is due. If you retell somebody else's idea, make sure to

say whose it was SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

Though you may be hoping for a relationship that brings satisfaction. your time is better spent seeking the

satisfaction first and the relationship second. Go by yourself to the mov ies, a museum or the bookstore

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The smartest people you know will offer their resources if you'll only stop to listen. However, do make sure that the smartest people you know are really smart and that you're not being fooled by fancy rhetoric.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan

19). Move and shake with the movers and shakers. Important meetings are featured. Think ahead Have plenty to report about the topics you're likely to cover. Join the "now" crowd. Read everything you can get your hands on.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You are an excellent judge of character when others are not. So watch out for loved ones. If you get a funny

feeling about one of their friends or business associates, speak up - in the gentlest, most helpful tone, of course.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). once knew a Pisces who, when

invited to a party, would actually bring a book. Your sign can be shy or can be incredibly communicative Remember that introversion is a choice - and one that doesn't serve you now

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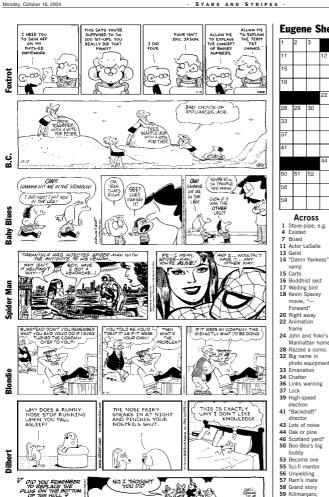












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Grandma can't be trusted with kid

Dear Abby: My mom baby-sits for my 3-year-old, "Jessica," while I am at work Last night I arrived at Mom's to find that she had again left Jessi ca sleeping in the back seat of her van, still strapped into her car seat. Jessica had been there for an hour, and although the temperature outside was fairly mild, my little girl was red-faced and

sweaty Mother says I'm overreacting because the van was parked in the driveway with the door left open. But I know of at least one incident last year when she left Jessica sleeping in the van, got distracted with something in the house, and didn't realize my daughter had awakened and been screaming for some time. For weeks, Jessica talked about

being left outside alone.

I have asked Mom numerous times not to leave my child sleep ing in the car, but her only re-sponse is to roll her eyes, tell me I'm making a big deal out of

nothing, and continue to do it. Maybe if Mom hears from someone other than me that it's not OK to leave a child unattended in a car, even in a driveway, she'll stop doing it. Thanks! - Overheated Mom in Massa-

chusetts Dear Mom: Do not Dear Abby

expect your mother -who is in denial - to listen to me These incidents are recurring because you are allow ing it to happen. Your mother has proven repeatedly that she is too easily distracted and too forgetful to responsibly supervise your daughter. Recog nize that your daughter is in danger and make

other arrangements for her immediately. To paraphrase an old saying: If something hap-pens once, shame on the perpetrator. If it happens twice, shame on the "victim

Dear Abby: My son works at a place where the employees celebrate birthdays by gathering for cake. One young employee seems bent on learning everyone's age. Although many peop are reluctant to state their age, he persists with his questions to the point of embarrassment

Abby, our son was a victim of downsizing and recently joined the group. His birthday is in early November, and he is dreading their "celebration" because he is over 50 and fears his supervisors will think he's too old for advance ment. How should that young man's question be handled?

- Mother of a Middle-Aged Son Dear Mother: When the impu dent question is asked, your son should reply with a smile, "I'm old enough to know better than to tell you." If the questioner persists, your son can put him in his place, and probably gain the appreciation of everyone else who's been put on the spot, by saying: "I'm 29 again, and I'll thank you not to pursue this any further. It's rude."

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Pesky in-laws intefere too much

Dear Annie: My in-laws have always been intrusive, but I usually manage to control my temper and dismiss their meddling as a desire to help my wife and me However, now that we are expecting a haby. they have become unbearable

My father-in-law lectures me about mainte nance projects in my house when no maintenance is needed. My mother-in-law constantly tells us what we're doing wrong. Now she's telling us what to name the baby.

My in-laws are behaving in a way my parents never would. It's not that I want to cut off contact, but they don't seem to understand that we need time alone and to make our own decisions.

- Exasperated Son-in-Law Dear Son-in-Law: First, understand that your in-laws may have a different idea of how involved they should be with their married



of a new baby, their level of preoccupation goes into overdrive. They may not realize how intrusive and

annoving they are. How does your wife feel about her parents meddling? She should be the one to tell them to back off, and you need to make her un-

derstand why she must speak up and set boundaries. In the meantime, it won't hurt to turn the other cheek.

Dear Annie: I'm an ultra-responsible, 24-year-old man who appears to have it all.

The problem is, I take life too seriously. I don't know how to play. I'm the cerebral type. I analyze, intellectualize and evaluate almost everything I do. I don't laugh a lot and can't seem to let loose and have fun. How can I learn to enjoy things sponta neously, and to react more impulsively and instinctively? This shortcoming in my personality has made some of my relationships difficult

- Prematurely Stuck in

Dear Adult: We understand your desire to enjoy life a little more, and it can be done. At first, you will have to push yourself to do those things that seem out of character. (Spontaneity is not so easy to achieve.) Set one goal a week for yourself to do one thing that seems outrageous or unusu

Keep in mind that if you do not enjoy the results, you might want to stop - and simply accept vourself as vou are. Solemnity may not be glamorous, but there's a lot to be said for being responsible and stable. Don't be

so hard on yourself. Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Sync cate, 5777 W. Century Blvd., Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90045.

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ts. 9:30 a.m. - Auto racing: IRL AFN-Sports, 9:10 a.m. — Auto rating, inc. chevy 500 (did). AFN-Sports, 1:30 p.m. — Golf: Chrysler Clas-sic of Greensboro, final round (did). AFN-Sports, 7:30 p.m. — Baseball: NLCS, Game 4, St. Louis at Houston Gidball: ALCS, Game 5, if necessary, N.Y. Yankess at Bos-

Tuesday

- AFN-Sports, 2 a.m. Baseball: NLCS, same 5, St. Louis at Houston.
 AFN-Radio, 2 a.m. Baseball: NLCS, Game 1, St. Louis at Houston.
 AFN-Atlantic, 3 a.m. NFL: Tampa Bay at I. Louis.
- St. Louis.

 AFN-Radio, 3 a.m. Pro football: Tampa agu at St. Louis (joined in progress).

 AFN-Sports, 5 a.m. Autor racing: NASCAR frucks, Silverado 350K (dld).

 AFN-Sports, 9 a.m. College football: Teams TBD (dld).

 AFN-Pacific, noon NFL: Tampa Bay at St.
- is (dld). ouis (dld).

 AFN-Sports, 1:30 p.m. — Auto racing:
 NASCAR Nextel Cup: UAW-Chevy Quality 500 FN-Sports, 7 p.m. – NFL: Tampa Bay at St.

Wednesday

- AFN-Sports, 1:30 a.m. Outdoors: Val-Mart FLW Tour (dld). AFN-Atlantic, 2 a.m. Baseball: ALCS, If necessary, Boston at N.Y. Yan-
- ees.
 AFN-Radio, 2 a.m. Baseball: ALCS, Game, if necessary, Boston at N.Y. Yankees.
 AFN-Sports, 2:30 a.m. Boxing: Ballroom oxing (did). xoxing (dld).'

 AFN-Sports, 3:30 a.m. — Outdoors:
 Wal-Mart FLW Tour (dld).
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Monday's game
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Chicago at Tampa Bay
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UAW-GM 500

Saturday
At Lowe's Motor Speedwa
Concord, N.C.
Lap length: 1.5 miles
(Start position in parenthes
) Jimmie Johnson, Chevro

1. (9) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 334, \$191,450. 2. (23) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 334, \$161,678. S.) Dale Farnhardt Ir., Chevrolet, 334.

s.) Kurt Busch, Ford, 334, \$110,250.) Joe Nemechek, Chevrolet, 334,

\$112,750.
6. (39) Dale Jarrett, Ford, 334, \$113,992.
7. (5) Elliott Sadler, Ford, 334, \$112,158.
8. (24) Jamie McMurray, Dodge, 334, \$80,625.
9. (35) Jeff Burton, Chevrolet, 334, \$77,700.
10. (15) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 334, \$113,903. \$113,903. 11. (36) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 334, \$113,803. 12. (31) Sterling Marlin, Dodge, 334, \$100,525.

100,525. 13. (12) Mark Martin, Ford, 334, \$74,500. 14. (1) Ryan Newman, Dodge, 334, \$136,117. 15. (11) Bobby Hamilton Jr., Chevrolet, 333,

23. (16) Brendan Gaughan, Dodge, 329, 509,175.
24. (29) Johnny Sauter, Dodge, 329, 560,455.
24. (29) Johnny Sauter, Dodge, 329, 560,455.
26. (42) Scott Wimmer, Dodge, 327, 577,375.
26. (42) Scott Wimmer, Dodge, 327, 577,375.
26. (30) Global Waltrip, Chevrolet, 310, acdied, 586,954.
27. (22) Jimmy Speneer, Chevrolet, 310, acdieden, 586,950.
30. (13) Jeremy Mayfield, Dodge, 277, acci30. (13) Jeremy Mayfield, Dodge, 277, acci-

0. (13) Jeremy Mayfield, Dodge, 277, acci-nt, \$66,425. ent, \$66,425. 31. (14) Rusty Wallace, Dodge, 274, \$98,633. 32. (2) Kasey Kahne, Dodge, 267, accident, 3,050. I. (18) Greg Biffle, Ford, 265, \$63,550. I. (38) Kyle Busch, Chevrolet, 264, acci-

3.4 (GB) Tyle Bisson, Chemoral, 364, acd-druf, 851,37 iff creen, Dodge, 238, engine fail-ure, 801,37 iff creen, Dodge, 238, engine fail-ure, 801,38 (T) Kevin Hayvick, Chevrolet, 221, en-37, (II) Dave Bisney, Ford, 218, accident, 37, (II) Dave Bisney, Ford, 218, accident, 820, 270, Kevin Lepage, Dodge, 25, (Iprilion, 39, (27) Kevin Lepage, Dodge, 25, (Iprilion, 40, (II) Bislan Vickers, Chevrolet, 22, accident, 852, 279, 885cs, Dodge, 10, accident, 854, 270, a

\$54,180. 43. (28) Tony Raines, Chevrolet, 1, accident, \$53,499.

Race Statistics
Time of Race: 3 hours, 50 minutes, 51 sec-

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Menards Infiniti Pro-Texas 100

At Teas Motor Speedway

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(Start position in parentheses)

(2) Trasky Georgia Callar-Infiniti, 67.

(3) Arie Luperdy R. P., Dallara-Infiniti, 67.

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(6) Jeff Simmons, Dallara-Infiniti, 67.

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8. (15) Rolando Quintanilla, Dallara-Infiniti,

/. 9. (13) P.J. Abbott, Dallara-Infiniti, 67. 10. (14) Scott Mayer, Dallara-Infiniti, 67. 11. (6) Paul Dana, Dallara-Infiniti, 8, acci ent. 12. (9) Leonardo Maia, Dallara-Infiniti, 8, ac-13. (12) James Chesson, Dallara-Infiniti, 8.

cident. 14. (10) Ryan Hampton, Dallara-Infiniti, 8, ccident. 15. (7) Gary Peterson, Dallara-Infiniti, 8, ac-dent.

Clark Teach Statistics
Time of Race: 43 minutes, 38.3418 seconds.
Margin of Wickey 0.0502 seconds mpt.
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Caution Flags: Two for 18 laps.
Lead Changes None.
Lap Leader; Medicins 2, 13.2, Dana,
79.3, P. J.Chesson, 342. e. Luyendy, fr., 330.
5. Maia, 292. 6. Mason, 283. 7. Quintanilla,
284. S. Urser, 272. 9. Glebler, 251. D. Noe, 164.

Pro soccer

Major League Soccer All Times EDT

Eastern Conference									
	W	L	Т	Pts	GF	GA			
v-Columbus	12	5	13	49	40	32			
x-MetroStars		11	7	40	45	46			
x-D.C. United	10	10	9	39	40	40			
x-New England	8	13	9	33	42	43			
Chicago	8	13	9	33	36	44			
Western C	onfe	erei	nce						
v-Kansas City	14	9	7	49	38	30			
x-Los Angeles	11	9	10	43	42	40			
x-Colorado	10	9	11	41	29	32			
x-San Jose	9	10	11	38	41	35			
Dallas	10	14	6	36	34	45			

NOTE: Three points in for tie.
x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division
Saturday's games
New England 2, Chicago 1
San logad 2, Chicago 1
San logad 1, Chicago 1
San logad 1, Chicago 1
San logad 1, Chicago 1
San logad 2, Chicago 1
San logad 3, Interest 1
San logad 3, Inte NOTE: Three points for victory, one point

Golf

World Match Play

World Match Play
Smithy
At Westworth Club, West Course
Verpinal Wates, England
Varidage; 1027, Pan 17

Ernie Es (1), South Africa, det. Let Westwood (1), England; 2 and 1.

At Westworth Club, West Course
Verpinal Wates, England
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Chrysler Classic

At Forest Oaks Country Club course Greensboro, N.C. Purse: \$4.6 million Yardage: 7,311; Par: 72 Third Roung, 56,669—204

md 69-66-69-204 -12 66-67-71-204 -12 70-69-66-205 -11 70-67-68-205 -11 68-67-70-205 -11 69-65-71-205 -11 Tom Lehman Tom Lehman Brent Geiberger Matt Gogel Michael Allen Joe Ogilvie David Toms Shigeki Maruyam Richard S. Johnso Ben Crane n Crane line McCallister vid Frost David Frost Jerry Kelly Tom Pernice, Jr. Jeff Brehaut Jason Dufner Arjun Atwal Jesper Parnevik Carlos Franco Cameron Beckman

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anny Ellis Dan Oler Fre Frank Lickli 70-70-74-214 70-69-75-214 69-70-75-214 70-70-75-215

Samsung World Championship Saturday At Bighorn Golf Club, Canyons course Palm Desert, Calif. Purse: \$825,000 Yardage: 6,462; Par: 72 Third Round

Grace Park
Cristie Kerr
Annika Sorenstam
Lorena Ochoa
Juli Inkster
Sophie Gustafson
Catriona Matthew
Jeong Jang
Karen Stupples
Karrie Webb
Christina Kim 62-67-71-200 -16 66-68-69-203 -13 67-70-69-206 66-70-70-206 67-70-72-206 67-70-70-207 68-65-74-207 71-69-68-208 68-70-71-209 68-73-70-211 Karrie Christi na Kim Mi Hyun Kim Shi Hyun Ahn a-Michelle Wie Hee-Won Han Laura Davies Meg Mallon 70-70-71-211 68-65-78-211 74-72-67-213

SBC Championship

Wendy E Se Ri Pal

Saturday Oak Hills Country Club San Antonio Purse: \$1.25 million Yardage: 6,661 Par: 71 Second Round

67-63-130 -12 68-66-134 -8 68-66-134 -8 68-66-134 -8 69-66-135 -7 Mark McNulty Gary McCord Morris Hatalsky Dana Quigley Bruce Fleisher Allen Doyle Darrell Kestner Bobby Wadkins Bob Gilder Tom Kite Dave Stockton 68-67-135 70-67-137 70-67-137 Dave Stockton Craig Stadler Doug Tewell Ron Streck Hale Irwin Gil Morgan Bruce Lietzke John Bland Ben Crenshaw Larry Nelson Bob Murphy Vicente Fernandez Des Smyth James Mason Tom Jenkins Wayne Levi 69-69-138 68-70-138 77-62-139 72-67-139 71-68-139 70-69-139 70-69-139 70-69-139 69-70-139 68-71-139 66-73-139 66-73-139 Wayne Levi Tom Wargo Peter Jacob 70-70-140 Jay Sigel

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Kremlin Cup Saturday At Olympic Stadium Moscow en, \$1 million (Intl. Series); Purse: Men, \$1 million (Intl. Se lomen, \$1.3 million (Tier!) Surface: Carpet-Indoor Single Men Semifini

Nikolay Davyderindinas Nikolay Davyderindinas Nikolay Davyderindinas Greg Rusesids, Britain, def. Domnin Hr-baty (3), Slovakia, 6-4, 6-3. Women Women Sepina, Russia, 6-4, 6-3. Russias def. Elena Devina, Russia, 6-4, 7-5. Anastasia Myskina (3), Russia, def. Elena Say Davenport C. Doubles

Women Semifinals

Anastasia Myskina and Vera Zvonareva, Russia, def. Elena Bovina and Nadia Petrova, Russia, 6-4, 6-7 (7), 6-4.

Tashkent Open

Sunday
At Dynam Tennis Club
Tashkent, Uzbekistan
Purses (340,000 (Tier IV)
Surface: Hard-Qutdoor
Singles
Championship
Nicole Valdisova, Czech Requblic, def. Virglinle Razzano, France, 5-7, 6-3, 6-2.

BA-CA Tennis Trophy Saturday At Wiener Stadthalle Vienna, Austria Purse: \$847,225 (Intl. Gold) Surface: Hard-Indoor Singles Semifinals

Guillermo Canas (6), Argentina, def. Tormy Haas, Germany, 6-4, 6-3. Feliciano Lopez (8), Spain, def. Davide San-guinetti, Italy, 6-3, 6-3.

Open de Moselle

Upen Ge moseile
Sunday
At Palais Omnisports des Arenes de Metz
Purses \$46,590 (Intl. Series)
Surface Hard-Indoor
Singles
Singles
Singles
Gasquet, France, def. Richard
Gasquet, France, 76 (9), 6-4
Debugs Singles
Arnaud Clement and Nicolas Mahut (2),
France, def. Lars Burgsmuller, Germany, and
Arnaud Clement and Nicolas Mahut (2),
France, def. Lars Burgsmuller, Germany, and
Bobert Lindsfects, Sweden, 6-2, 7-4 (6).

Deals

Saturday's transactions

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
SEATTLE SUPERSONICS—Waived G Carl En glish and G David Young.
WASHINGTON WIZARDS—Released F Jon
Smith.

American Basketball Association
ORANGE COUNTY CRUSH—Signed G Kamran Suff.

an Sun.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

ATLANTA FALCONS—Walved T Jared Peck.
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Kight from the practice Square.
Nick Rogers.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Signed K Ola

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Patriots hold off Seahawks for 20th win

BY HOWARD ULMAN

FOXBORO, Mass. — The New England Patriots got another victory — but quite a scare — as they extended their NFL record for consecutive wins

They stopped a late Seattle comeback to beat the Seahawks 30-20 Sunday, running their streak to 20 wins, including playoffs. They also tied the league record with their 17th consecutive regular-season victory.

For a while, though, the streak appeared to be in jeopardy. The Seahawks, trailing 23-17, had a first down at the New England 13 with about 4 minutes left. But an intentional grounding penalty against Mat Hasselbeck forced Seattle to settle for Josh Brown's fourth field goal, a 31-yarder with 301 to go.

Then the New England offense, facing a third-and-7 at its 40, came through with Tom Brady's 48-yard completion to a diving Bethel Johnson, only his third catch of

the season, to the Seattle 12. The Seahawks challenged the play, but officials ruled Johnson had control of the ball before it hit

the ground while he held onto it.

Three plays later, Corey Dillon put the game away with his second touchdown on a 7-vard run with 1:55 remaining.

And just to show how seriously they take each play, the Patriots stopped Shaun Alexander on a run from their 1-yard line even though there was no time left and they would have won even if Alexander had

scored.

For the first time this season, the Patriots (5-0) beat a team that was not winless. But the Seahawks (3-2) started sliding late in their overtime loss to St. Louis a week earlier and kept going early against New Enpland.

Hasselbeck, intercepted just twice in his first four games, threw two interceptions on Seattle's first two series. New England scored on its first four possessions and led 20-6 at halftime. The Seahawks closed to within 20-17 after Michael Boulware intercepted Brady's pass in the fourth quarter. Alexander scored on a 9-yard run and Hasselbeck hit Jerramy Stevens for a two-point conversion with 11:05 left.

Adam Vinatieri's third field goal, a 30-yarder, made it 23-17 with 6:43 to go.

The Patriots, who haven't lost since Sept. 28, 2003, tied the regular-season record set by Chicago in 1933-34. One week earlier, they set the record including playoffs with a 24-10 win that kept Miami winless at 0-5. New England started the year by beating Indianapolis, then knocked off Arizona and Buffalo.

In their first 15½ quarters this season, the Seahawks allowed only 23 points. Then they gave up 23 points in the last 5:34 of the Rams' 33-27 win, and 20 points in the first 27 minutes against the Patriots.

Two mainstays of the Patriots' stingy defense set up their first touchdown when Richard Seymour tipped Hasselbeck's pass into the hands of Willie McGinest, who ran 27 yards to the Seattle 26.

Five plays later, Dillon scored on a 1-vard run.

New England kept pressuring Hasselbeck, the son of Don Hasselbeck — who played tight end for the Patriots from 1977 to 1983.

On Seattle's next series, Ty Law intercepted Hasselbeck's pass to set up Vinatieri's 40-yard field goal that made it

The lead grew to 17-0 early in the third quarter on Brady's 6-yard scoring pass to David Patten. Brady, coming off his worst pro start with just 76 yards passing, finished the game with 19 completions in 30 attempts for 231 yards.

Seattle finally scored on Brown's 33-yard field goal, but New England made it 20-3 on Vinatieri's 39-yard kick. Brown's 40-yard field goal made it 20-6 at halftime and he added a 28-yarder on the Seahawks' first possession of the third quarter.

Eagles overwhelm depleted Panthers to remain unbeaten

The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Overmatched and undermanned, Carolinas had no chance against Philadelphia in a rematch of last season's NFC championship game.

Terrell Owens had all of his 123 yards receiving in the first half and Lito Sheppard returned an interception 64 yards for a score, leading the undefeated Eagles to a 30.8 win at

The Parthers' 14-3 victory nine months ago denied Philadelphia a trip to the Super Bowl. But the Eagles, who have lost three consecutive conference championship games, have come back strong, starting 5-0 for the first time since 1981.

Injury-depleted Carolina, which lost to New England in the Super Bowl, fell to 1-4. Only eight teams have overcome a 1-4 start to make the playoffs.

Donovan McNabb, off to the

Donovan McNabb, off to the best start of his six-year career, didn't have a touchdown pass for the first time this season. But he completed passes of 53 and 51 yards to Owens that led to 10 points.

McNabb finished 14-for-26 for 209 yards and one interception.

Panthers quarterback Jake Delhomme hardly played like he did last January, throwing four interceptions. His 2-yard TD pass to Muhsin Muhammad came late in the fourth quarter.

Sheppard, who had two picks, put the game away in the third quarter with a nifty return after another poorly thrown pass by Delhomme. Sheppard eluded a couple of tackles along the left sideline, waited for a block from Corey Simon near the 15 and ran in to make it 23-0.

Brian Westbrook added a 42-yard TD run in the final min-

Right from the start, the Eagles proved they're not the same team that was completely shut down in the conference title game.

J.R. Reed returned the opening



kickoff 66 yards, and McNabb's first two passes were caught by Todd Pinkston, who didn't have a catch in the last meeting.

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David Akers' 48-yard field goal gave the Eagles a 3-0 lead.

McNabb and Owens connected

on a 53-yard pass on the next possession, setting up Dorsey Leven's '1-yard TD run to make it 10-0. Owens, who challenged cornerback Ricky Manning Jr. earlier in the week, beat Manning on the long pass. Manning, who had three picks against McNabb in the previous game, got another interception, but it was too late to mat-

Jets 22, 49ers 14: Chad Pennington led the New York Jets on a second-half comeback. Rookie Jonathan Vilma sealed it.

The Jets overcame a 14-3 halftime deficit and Vilma intercepted Tim Rattay's poorly thrown pass with 1:44 to go, helping New York make franchise history with

Though they floundered for the first half, the Jets are 5-0 for the first time thanks to a strong effort after the break.

Curtis Martin finished with 111 yards on 25 carries and two touchdowns, passing Marcus Allen (12,243) for eighth place on the NFL career rushing list. Martin now has 12.282 career vards.

Pennington went 20-for-30 for 222 yards, but went 11-for-14 for 117 yards in the second half.

Packers 38, Lions 10: Maybe getting away from Lambeau Field was just what Green Bay needed. Brett Favre threw two touchdown passes, moving up among

career passing leaders .

Green Bay (2-4) had lost four straight for the first time in 13 years and is 0-3 at home for the first time since 1988.

In an odd twist, Detroit (3-2) has won both its road games — after losing an NFL record 24 straight — but fell to 1-2 at home.

The game was close until Darren Sharper intercepted a pass early in the third quarter and returned it 36 yards — with a juke move and a hurdle into the end zone — to give the Packers a 24-10 lead.

Favre, who talked about retirement with his young daughter this week, was effective despite missing Robert Ferguson for the whole game and Javon Walker for much of it. Donald Driver made up for the losses with nine receptions for 110 yards and two TDs.

Favre was 25-for-38 for 257 yards. He extended his streak with a TD pass to 31 games, passing Dan Marino and trailing only Johnny Unitas' record run of 47 straight. Favre played in his 197th game with the Packers, passing Bart Starr for No. 1 in franchise history.

With 165 yards passing in the first half, Favre surpassed Fran Tarkenton for fourth place on the NFL career list with 47,106.

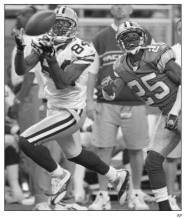
Bills 20, Dolphins 13: Takeo Spikes made good on his vow that Buffalo would finally provide some good news for their fans this weekend

Spikes returned an interception 11 yards for a touchdown, helping spark Buffalo's victory over Miami in a game between the NFL's winless teams.

Aaron Schobel had 2½ sacks and Ron Edwards added two, leading a strong defensive effort in which the Bills limited Miami to just 212 yards net offense.

Willis McGahee had a strong debut in his first career start. The Bills' first-round pick in the 2003 draft had 111 yards rushing and put away the game with a 31-yard run that allowed the Bills to run out the clock.

The former University of Miami star missed his entire rookie season recovering from reconstructive surgery on his left knee.



Green Bay Packers wide receiver Javon Walker (84) hauls in a 50-yard pass in front of Detroit Lions cornerback Fernando Bryant (25) Sunday.

McGahee was filling in for Travis Henry (sprained left foot). Spikes finished with two tackles and broke up two passes intended for tight end Randy McMichael.

His interception opened the scoring. Stepping in front of Jay Fiedler's pass intended for Rob Konrad, Spikes ran it untouched into the end zone.

Earlier this week, he had told Buffalo-area reporters they would have something good to write about.

Besides providing rookie coach Mike Mularkey his first career victory, the Bills (1-4) ended a seven-game skid. The win came at the expense of a banged-up Dolphins team that has lost six straight and is off to its worst start in franchise history.

Falcons 21, Chargers 20: For three quarters, San Diego was a clear winner in the Michael Vick trade. There was still another period to go. With an electrifying display, Vick overcame a 10-point deficit by running for one touchdown, throwing for another and then taking care of the clock.

The Falcons (5-1) matched their win total from all of last season, when they struggled to 5-11 with Vick missing most of the year with a broken leg.

Vick, whose rights were traded from San Diego to Atlanta in 2001, threw for 130 of his 218 yards in the fourth quarter and had a hand in all three Atlanta TDs.

San Diego (3-3) led 17-7 when the Falcons got the ball in the opening minute of the final period.

Suddenly, No. 7 came alive, needing only four plays to reach the end zone. He threw a 50-yard pass to Peerless Price, then broke off an 8-yard run. After T. J Duckett's short gain, Vick broke loose around left end and scoted 14 yards for his first TD rushing of the season.

Johnson still dominant on track

His title chances doomed by new format, Johnson iust wins races

BY JENNA FRYER The Associated Press

CONCORD, N.C. - Without a miracle, what looked to be a likely championship season for Jimmie Johnson is over.

All that's left for him is winning

That's just fine with Johnson Johnson became the first driver since Dale Earnhardt in 1986 to sweep the season races at Lowe's Motor Speedway, winning the UAW-GM Quality 500 on Saturday night.

The victory did little to help his title hopes. After dominating the season for almost seven months, had luck has left Johnson stuck in eighth place in the standings - a mountainous 227 points behind leader Kurt Busch.

"You know what? We've just been enjoying each week and not letting ourselves get too serious and not put too much pressure on ourselves." Johnson said. "But it's been tough, no doubt.'

Had this been any other season. Johnson would have likely wrapped up the title by now. But this is the first year of NASCAR's 10-man, 10-race playoff system, and Johnson hasn't had much success since it started. Consecutive finishes of 32nd or worse the past two weeks ended his title hopes.

Now he knows nothing short of a collapse by Busch, Dale Earnhardt Jr., or Jeff Gordon will help him get back in the hunt. For a brief moment Saturday

night, it looked as if Johnson might get it.



Rrian Vickers' car hits the wall as Matt Kenseth (17) drives past during Saturday pight's NASCAR race.

Scott Riggs missed a shift at the start of the race that prevented him from taking off. He tried to get his car out of the way, but there was too much traffic behind him and a chain-reaction crash stacked up behind him.

It caused minor damage to Busch and Gordon, who had to pit several times to make repairs.

When racing resumed, Busch was 38th and Gordon 40th Still. Gordon rebounded to fin-

ish second and Busch was fourth Earnhardt was third Busch holds a 24-point lead

over Earnhardt and Gordon is 74 points back.

Busch survived a series of close calls to get his finish, including dodging several wrecks and driving through oil on the track that nearly caused him to spin. "It was the adventures of Kurt Busch and team today," Busch said.

Gordon had his own rotten day. spinning out midway through the race and fighting to fix an ill-handling car. Somehow or another. the four-time series champion managed to pull it together and salvage the night.

"There were so many moments today where we could have crumbled, and we stayed calm and came back, and what an amazing Gordon said. "Now we are still in the thick of things.'

Almost all of the championship contenders had some sort of struggle, but nine of them ended up 14th or better.

Elliott Sadler finished seventh to remain fourth in the standings.

Mark Martin is fifth in the standings, but had a heartbreaking race. He was leading late, until Johnson passed him, but was still on his way to a sec-ond-place finish when his back luck hit

Jimmy Spencer and Brendan Gaughan got into an accident in front of him and Martin couldn't avoid it. After stopping to fix the damage, he was only able to manage a 13th-place finish.

Martin, 186 points behind Busch in the standings, was despondent after the race.

"It's hard for me to believe some of these guys could pass a driver's test," he said.

Els claims sixth title and record paycheck

The Associated Press

VIRGINIA WATER, England - Ernie Els won a record sixth World Match Play title on his 35th birthday, beating Lee West-wood 2 and 1 on Sunday to claim the \$1.8 million purse, the biggest in golf.

Els closed out the 36-hole match by dropping a 20-foot bird-ie putt on the long 17th hole. The title was his third straight in the event, matching the three he won from 1994 to 1996. Gary Player and Severiano Ballesteros each



won the event five times. It was Els' first victory over Westwood in three matches in the cham-

pionship.

"What a feeling It's a great feeling." Els said. "The golf might not have been the greatest, but match play is like that. I just concentrated on trying to hit greens and fair-

Westwood, the 2000 champion who won \$720,000, was on the green at the par-5 571-yard 17th in two with Els well short in heavy rough. Els' third shot left him 20 feet short, but it didn't matter when he dropped the putt on top of Westwood's birdie to finish the match

Park leads by three

PALM DESERT. Calif. Grace Park shot a 1-under 71 to hold onto the third-round lead in the Samsung World Champion-ship, while Annika Sorenstam and Cristie Kerr moved within three shots of the South Korean. Park was at 16-under 200 through three rounds in the elite 20-player tournament.

Sorenstam, whose 53 career LPGA Tour victories include three titles in this event, matched Kerr with a 69 on the Bighorn Golf Club course. Amateur Michelle Wie, the

teen sensation from Hawaii, turned in a 67 for the best round of the day — and seven strokes better than her first day. Wie, who turned 15 on Monday, put an exclamation point on her round excianation point on ner round by sinking a 40-foot putt for a bird-ie 3 on No. 18. The 5-under round moved Wie, in the event on a spon-sor's exemption, from 19th to 15th going into the final 18 holes.

Lehman, Geiberger tied

GREENSBORO, N.C. - Tom Lehman shot a 3-under 69 to join Brent Geiberger (71) atop the leader board in the Chrysler Classic of Greensboro at 12-under. Four players, including 2001 PGA champ David Toms, were a

shot back, with another 10 within four strokes of the lead. Last week in Las Vegas, Leh-

man led going into the final day before eventually tying for sec-45-year-old Minnesotan has five career victories but none since the 2000 Phoenix Open.

Coast Guard tells Tiger to not do it again With the Pacific League cham-

The Associated Press

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico Tiger Woods will not be fined for entering San Juan's port aboard his yacht without notice following his wedding, but the U.S. Coast Guard warned him to not do it

Since July 1, new U.S. Homeland Security Department regulations require many boats to submit an arrival notice at least four days before entering a U.S. port. The Coast Guard briefly detained Woods and his wife aboard their 155-foot yacht, the Privacy, after it entered San Juan's port Thursday.

The Privacy's captain said he did not know that the new regulations applied to Puerto Rico, a U.S. Caribbean territory, officials said. The skipper said he stopped in San Juan only to refuel. The Privacy, registered in the Cayman Islands, was allowed to refuel as immigration authorities spoke with those aboard, including the newlyweds.

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The Coast Guard's captain of the port could have fined Woods up to \$32,500 but since it was a first offense a letter of warning was sent instead, spokesman Lt. Eric Willis said Sunday. "The yacht will be subject to a fine if it happens again," he said.

The golf great and Swedish model Elin Nordegren were married Oct. 5 at a Barbados resort.

Russians sweep Kremlin Cup MOSCOW - Anastasia Myski-

na defeated Elena Dementieva 7-5, 6-0 Sunday to retain her title in the first-ever all-Russian final in the Kremlin Cup tennis tourna-

In the men's final, compatriot Nikolay Davydenko beat Greg Rusedski of Britain 3-6, 6-3, 7-5 giving Russia its first sweep of the singles titles in 15 years of simultaneously hosting the ATP and WTA events.

Later in the day, Myskina added to the Russian victory narade, joining countrywoman Vera Zvonareva to beat the top-seeded duo of Virginia Ruano Pascual of Spain and Paola Suarez of Argentina 6-3, 4-6, 6-2 in the women's doubles final

Lopez wins CA Trophy final VIENNA, Austria - Spain's Fe-

liciano Lopez won his first ATP title Sunday, defeating Guillermo Canas of Argentina 6-4, 1-6, 7-5, 3-6. 7-5 in the final of the CA Tro-

The eighth-seeded Lopez became the first Spaniard to win the tournament, needing 3 hours and 35 minutes to win the first five-set final since 1997

Tatsunami rallies Chunichi

NAGOYA, Japan — Kazuyoshi Tatsunami hit a game-tying three-run homer in the bottom of the seventh inning Sunday as the Chunichi Dragons rallied for five runs on their way to an 11-6 victory over the Seibu Lions in Game 2 the Japan Series.

pions leading 6-3 and threatening to take a commanding 2-0 lead in the series, Tatsunami slammed a towering three-run homer to right off Seibu starter Daisuke Matsuzaka at Nagoya Dome to spark the comeback.

Haehnel wins Open de Moselle METZ, France - Jerome Haeh-

nel won his first ATP championship Sunday, beating Richard Gasquet 7-6 (11-9), 6-4 in an all-French final in the Open de Moselle

Teen wins Tashkent Open TASHKENT Uzbekistan - Fif-

teen-year-old Nicole Vaidisova of the Czech Republic won the Tashkent Open on Sunday for her second title this year, beating Virginie Razzano of France 5-7, 6-3, 6-2 in the final.

Vaidisova upset second-seeded Meghann Shaughnessy in the semifinals. Her other title this year came at the Vancouver Open in August.

Astros get a boost from the Rocket

Gives up two runs in seven innings as Houston gets first win in NLCS

BY BEN WALKER The Associated Press

HOUSTON - Roger Clemens isn't done yet, and neither are the

Houston Astros Putting aside talk this might be his final game. Clemens focused on something more important pitching to save their season.

Clemens slowed down St. Louis for seven innings, closer Brad Lidge came in to finish off the Cardinals and Houston won 5-2 Saturday, cutting its deficit to 2-1 in the NL championship series.

"It was a must-win for us," Clemens said.

There was a chance this might have been Clemens' farewell, especially if the Cardinals win the next two games and he decides to retire - for real, this time.

Yet at 42, and possibly in line for his seventh Cy Young award, he's got his eyes on a bigger prize: pitching his hometown team to its

first trip to the World Series.

"Obviously, I want to pitch again," he said. "Not once did I ever think that could be my last

Jeff Kent's two-run homer capped a three-run burst in the first inning. Carlos Beltran homered yet again, connecting along with Lance Berkman in the eighth to further highlight a series featuring sluggers.

Clemens overcame a first-inning homer by Larry Walker and a later shot by Jim Edmonds, lasting long enough so that Houston manager Phil Garner could avoid

using his shaky middle relievers. "What you saw today was exactly what he's done for us so many times." Garner said. "He finds a

way to get it done." No team in baseball's postsea son has won a series it trailed 3.0 The Astros won't have to try, either, and will start 20-game winner Roy Oswalt against Jason Marquis on Sunday in hopes of level-

ing the best-of-seven matchup. Clemens completed his outing by striking out pinch-hitter Roger Cedeno, then hopped off the mound and pumped his fist. He stalked and snarled his way back to the dugout, muttering to himself all the way.

"No matter my age or what I've done in the past, you want to make a good showing," he said.

With the crowd raising a ruckus, Lidge relieved Clemens and blew away the Cardinals, striking out Walker and Game 2 star Scott Rolen.

"When it was 3-2 and we were in the middle of the game and everybody was cruising along, we felt like that we had a good shot to get something done," Rolen said. They just kept making pitches.

Beltran added insurance when he homered in his fourth straight postseason game, tying the record set by Jeffrey Leonard in the 1987 NLCS. The solo shot was Beltran's seventh homer in the playoffs and, combined with Berkman's drive, gave Lidge extra room to work

"This is what we were expect-' Beltran said. Making his first appearance in

a week, Lidge walked a batter and hit one in the ninth before striking out pinch-hitter John Mabry to end it.
"It felt great. And I'm definitely

available for tomorrow," Lidge

The Astros won for the 20th time in 21 games at Minute Maid Park, and assured themselves of playing at least twice more at

"The atmosphere is electric here right now," Lidge said. "We've been playing with a lot of confidence here



Roger Clemens gave up four hits, struck out seven and walked two in seven innings to help Houston go to 20-1 in its past 21 home games.

Houston also continued to lead the home-run derby, hitting nine in two games to St. Louis' seven.

"Dangerous lineups and mistakes, guys are punishing," Cardinals manager Tony La Russa said. "They're not popping any of them up.

Jeff Sunnan did fine as the Cardinals' starter, but the result was the same. He was 1-4 against the Astros this season, including 0-3 in duels with Clemens

Clemens, the oldest starting pitcher to win a postseason game gave up four hits, struck out seven and walked two. He admitted a day earlier that he probably would be "anxious" about this assignment, and clearly was not at his overpowering best - at least not at the start.

He didn't challenge hitters in the early innings and certainly

didn't threaten them with anything up-and-in. Despite several chances, he didn't put away any batters with two strikes until fanning Edgar Renteria in the fourth.

"I came out a little slow," Clemens said. "As the game went on, I was sharper. It worked out.' Next up was Reggie Sanders,

and a curious sequence followed. With the count 2-2, two outs and a runner on second base. Clemens didn't see Sanders ask for time and step out of the batter's box. As Clemens came forward. he suddenly saw the situation and soft-tossed the ball toward the Cardinals' on-deck circle to the left of home plate, where Mike Matheny caught it on a bounce. Clemens pointed in, as if to ask

who had called time, and catcher Brad Ausmus trotted to the mound.

double over Sheffield in right-center.

Williams picked up the ball and threw to

second baseman Miguel Cairo, who re-

layed home as Kevin Millar and Bill

Mueller both headed toward the plate.

Millar slid home with the tying run but

catcher Jorge Posada caught the ball

Notes: The only teams among the major North American leagues to over-

come 3-0 deficits were both in the NHL:

Toronto in the 1942 Stanley Cup finals against Detroit and the New York Island-

ers in the second round against Pitts-

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bruised left instep. He stumbled out of

the batter's box when he grounded out to shortstop to end the top of the sixth in-

and tagged out Mueller.

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Longest nine-inning game, 4 hours, 20 utes (previous record, 4:14).

Most hits, both teams, 37.

Most extra-base hits, both teams, 20.

New York's Hideki Matsui hits a two-run homer on Saturday night. Matsui, who had five hits, five RBIs and five runs in Game 3, is hitting .600 with 10 RBIs in the ALCS

Massacre: Bombers bash Sox

Sheffield threw out Manny Ramirez at third base to end the bottom half following David Ortiz's single to right, but the Red Sox beat up on Brown in the second. They went ahead 4-3 on Trot Nixon's two-run homer into the right-field seats, an RBI single off first baseman John Olerud by Johnny Damon, who had been 0-for-9 in the series, and a run-scoring error by Jeter, who allowed Ramirez's hard grounder to shortstop to kick off his glove

Boston's lead lasted just four pitches into the third.

Rodriguez, who got into a brawl with Varitek after Arroyo hit him with a pitch July 24, homered onto Lansdowne Street

'We knew it was going to take at least 10 runs to win at that point," Rodriguez said.

on and gave up a soft RBI single to cen-

Ramim Mendoza relieved with two

ning, and was replaced at first base by Tony Clark, X-rays of Olerud's foot were negative.

TAMPA, Fla. - One week after snapping the nation's longest losing streak, Army has its first winning streak in seven years

Carlton Jones ran for 225 yards and five touchdowns and Army rallied to beat South Florida 42-35 Saturday night to win consecutive games for the first time since 1997.

Army (2-4, 2-3 Conference IISA) last won consecutive games in 1997, when it beat Rutgers and

"We're starting on a streak." said Jones, whose touchdowns came in the second half, "That's

all we're doing. This feels good "I don't know how long it's been, but I'm just glad we got two in a row," Army coach Bobby Ross said. "We're a team, we've

We've got to take it almost a minute at a time. That's the way we're going to continue to do it."

South Florida led 21-7 lead when Jones scored his first touch down on a 59-yard run midway through the third quarter. After South Florida's Pat Julmiste scored on a 19-vard run. Jones ran 74 yards for another score. Army trailed 28-20 when the extra-point attempt was blocked.

Jones tied the game with a 6-yard run and a two-point conversion early in the fourth quarter, and then scored on runs of 13 and 1 yards, the latter with 1:24 left, which gave the Black Knights a 42-28 lead.

"We got our mind-set the second half," Jones said. "We were determined not to let them stop us, no matter what they did.

Army's first streak since '97 'feels good' No. 1 USC hardly tested by No. 15 Arizona State

LOS ANGELES - Nobody could call Southern California lucky after this game. Dominant would be a better description

A week after getting past Cali-fornia despite being badly beaten statistically, No. 1 USC took command early against Arizona State and routed the 15th-ranked Sun Devils 45-7 Saturday.

ASU (5-1, 2-1 Pac-10) was the third straight unbeaten opponent to challenge USC (6-0, 3-0). Stanford and Cal extended the Troians, losing by a combined nine points. But the Sun Devils presented no such challenge, trailing 42-7 at halftime.

Matt Leinart easily won his quarterback duel with ASII's Andrew Walter.

In the first half, Leinart completed 11 of 16 passes for 193 yards and four touchdowns and also ran for a TD. He finished 13-for-24 for 224 yards with no interceptions and was sacked once. before sitting out the fourth quar-

Highly regarded freshman Dwayne Jarrett, filling in for injured Steve Smith, made four receptions for 121 yards and three TDs in the first half and five catches for 139 vards overall.

LenDale White gained 68 yards 16 carries to lead USC's ground game.

No. 2 Oklahoma 31, Kansas St. 21: Jason White threw for touchdowns, two each to Travis Wilson and Mark Clayton, in the Sooners' road victory

Freshman star Adrian Peterson added 130 yards rushing all but 26 of those after halftime and helped the Sooners (6-0, 3-0 Big 12) control the tempo in the fourth quarter. He is the first Oklahoma freshman to go over 100 yards in each of his first six

Kansas State, which beat Oklahoma 35-7 for the Big 12 title a year ago, led three times but dropped to 2-4 overall and 0-3 in conference play for the first time since 2001

Darren Sproles, Kansas State's All-America running back, was held to 34 vards on 13 carries.

No. 4 Auburn 38, Arkansas 20: Jason Campbell passed for a career-high 297 yards and three touchdowns to lead host Auburn.

With Campbell completing 17 of 19 passes — all in the first three quarters — the Tigers (7-0. 4-0 SEC) won their ninth straight game and lived up to their highest

ranking in 10 years Auburn scored on its first five possessions for a 30-0 lead against a team that had given the Tigers fits in recent years.

No. 8 California 45, UCLA 28: Geoff McArthur caught two of Aaron Rodgers' career-high four touchdown passes, and California racked up 550 total yards in its first home game in five weeks.

J.J. Arrington ran for a ca-reer-best 205 vards and two



scores to help the Golden Bears (4-1, 2-1 Pac-10) rebound from last week's hearthreaking loss to ton-ranked Southern California.

McArthur caught nine passes for 163 yards, including an early 20-yard TD catch and an 80-yard scoring romp down the UCLA sideline in the fourth quarter.

Drew Olson also threw four touchdown passes, but the Bruins (4-2, 2-1) couldn't catch up after took a 35-14 lead on McArthur's long scoring run.

No. 9 Texas 28, Missouri 20: Cedric Benson rushed for 150 and two touchdowns against visiting Missouri.

Texas (5-1, 2-1 Big 12) won despite a shaky passing game as quarterbacks Vince Young and Chance Mock threw for just 58 yards and had two passes intercented

Benson overcame three fumbles to score Texas' final two touchdowns. His 14-vard run early in the fourth quarter gave Longhorns some needed breathing room at 28-14.

No. 11 Utah 46, North Carolina 16: Alex Smith threw four touchdown passes and ran for a score, and homestanding Utah finished with 669 vards of offense.

Smith finished 29-for-37 and 341 yards as the IItes (6.0) earned their third victory this season over a team from a Bowl Championship Series conference.

No. 12 Georgia 33, Vanderbilt 3: David Greene passed for two touchdowns in the third quarter and ran for one in a home rout of Vanderhilt

Georgia's freshmen running backs Danny Ware (127 yards) and Thomas Brown (122) became the first Bulldog pair to rush for more than 100 yards in 12 years. Brown also added a touchdown for Georgia (5-1, 3-1 SEC).

No. 13 Tennessee 21, Mississippi 17: Tennessee's Erik Ainge shook off a costly interception to hit Bret Smith with the winning touchdown pass with 6:58 to play in Oxford, Miss.

Ainge was 14-for-30 for 231 yards and played all but two series for the Vols (5-1, 3-1 South-eastern Conference), who scored on their first two possessions and remained in control in the Eastern Division with their 11th straight victory over Ole Miss.

The Rebels (3-4 2-2) rallied and took a 17-14 lead after Bryan Brown intercepted Ainge's pass and returned it 34 yards for a TD early in the fourth quarter.

No. 14 Michigan 30. Illinois 19: Michael Hart rushed for 234 yards and the visiting Wolverines rallied from a halftime deficit to send the Illini to their 12th consecutive conference loss

Michigan, which struggled

rushed 39 times and outscored IIlinois 20-2 in the second half to win its fifth straight.

No. 23 Texas A&M 36, No. 16 Oklahoma St. 20: Reggie Mc-Neal threw two touchdown passes and ran for two more scores for visiting Texas A&M.

McNeal was 19-for-25 for 288 vards and ran for 98 vards for the Aggies (5-1, 3-0 Big 12), who have their first five-game winning streak since opening the 2001 sea son 5-0. They're tied for the Big 12 South lead with Oklahoma.

Vernand Morency, who en-tered the game as the nation's leading rusher with 173.8 vards per game, had 111 vards on 28 carries for Oklahoma State (5-1, 2-1), but also lost his first two fumbles of the season on consecutive possessions in the first half.

Michigan St. 51, No. 19 Min nesota 17: Drew Stanton passed for 308 yards and ran for 102, setting a school record for total offense, keeping alive bowl hopes for the resurgent Spartans (4-3, 3-1 Big Ten).

Visiting Minnesota (5-2, 2-2) lost its second straight.

Michigan State vards in the first half, a school record, while taking a 31-10 lead The Spartans finished with 636 yards of offense.

Stanton's 410 vards of offense topped the previous mark of 393 set by quarterback Jeff Smoker against Fresno State in 2001

No. 22 Florida 52, Middle Tennessee 16: In Gainesville, Fla. Chris Leak threw three touch down passes and DeShawn Wynn scored three times for Florida

The Gators (4-2) scored on their first four possessions and led 24-3 early in the second quarter, then scored touchdowns on all three drives in the third quarter, opening a 36-point lead.

Alabama 27, No. 24 Southern Mississippi 3: Kenneth Darby rushed for 197 vards and scored two touchdowns to lift Alabama to its first victory over a ranked opponent in nearly two years.

Southern Miss (4-1) had been averaging nearly 29 points per game, but the Golden Eagles couldn't get untracked at Ala-bama (5-2). The Crimson Tide limited Southern Miss to 148 vards rushing and only 23 yards

lowa 33. No. 25 Ohio St. 7: Drew Tate passed for 331 yards and three touchdowns and ran for a score to hand visiting Ohio State its third straight loss.

Iowa (4-2, 2-1 Big Ten) held Ohio State's inept offense to 27 yards rushing and 177 total yards in beating the Buckeyes for just the fourth time in 42 years.

Ohio State (3-3) is 0-3 in the Big Ten for the first time since 1988 after its worst loss since a 46-20 setback to Illinois in 1999. Only a touchdown with 2:19 remaining kept the Buckeyes from being shut out for the first time since





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How the top 25 teams in The Associate Press' college football poll fared this week: No. 1 Southern Cal (6-0) beat No. 15 Arizo Piece Counterform Control Cont

al Teoas Tech. Saturday, seat No. 5 Purchas 20-17. Next: se. Northwestern, Saturday, No. 11 Utali (6-0) beat North Carolina 46-16. No. 12 Georgia (6-1) beat Vanderbeilli 33-3. Next: al. Adamsas. Saturday, No. 12 Georgia (6-1) beat Vanderbeilli 33-3. Next: al. Adamsas. Saturday, No. 14 Michigan (6-1) beat Minisch 21-17. Next: vs. Albahama, Saturday, No. 14 Michigan (6-1) beat Minisch 21-17. Next: vs. Albahama, Saturday, No. 13 Arizona Saturday, Saturday, No. 15 Arizona Saturday, Saturday, No. 15 Arizona Saturday, No. 15 Arizona Saturday, No. 15 Arizona Saturday, No. 15 Arizona Feb. (4-1) beat 1 No. 13 Minisch, No. 18 Louisviller (4-1) beat 1 No. 13 Minisch, No. 19 Minnesota (5-2) dist 1 Minisch, No. 19 Minisch, N

Saturday No. 1 USC 45, No. 15 Arizona State 7

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USC—Jarrett 19 pass from Leinart (Killeen ick), 13:21.
ASU—H.Hill 2 run (Ainsworth kick), 7:49.
USC—Leinart 1 run (Killeen kick), 5:08.
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USC—Jarrett 52 pass from Bush (Killeen kick), 2:15. USC—Jarrett 34 pass from Leinart (Killeen kick), 342. ... pass from Leir. Fourth Quarter USC-FG Killeen 34, 9:07. A-90,211.

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KSU—Sproles 1 run (Rheem kick), 9:25.
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OU-Clayton (DiCarlo kick), 7:06.
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Kansas St. Meier 20-38-0-247. Webb 1-3-0-4. Receiving—Oklahoma, Wilson 5-88, Clay ton 5-52, Jones 4-27, Bradley 2-46, Runnels 1-23, Moses 1-9, Peterson 1-6, Peoples 1-5 Kansas St., Moreira 7-85, Figurs 6-80, Madi-son 4-37, Casey 3-29, Dennis 1-15.

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Pur-FG Jones 35, 13:43.
Pur-Orton 6 run (Jones kick), 8:00.
Wis-Stanley 7 pass from Stocco (Allen kick), 8:29.
Wis-Starks 40 fumble return (kick blocked), 2:36.
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FSU – Booker 6 run (Beitla kick), 8:46.
FSU – Stowall 24 pass from Sexton (Beitla kick), 2:33.
UVa – FG Hughes 23, 0:00
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FSU – FG Beltta 32, 10:11.
Fourth Quarter
FSU – Washington 5 run (Beltta kick), 14:30.
FSU – Booker 5 run (Beltla kick), 6:38.
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Stovall 3-70, Weshington 3-25, Thorpe 2-39,
Davis 1-24, Booker 1-7, Henshaw 1-7, Robinson 1-5, Coleman 1-4, Rob11-3-0.

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No. 11 Utah 46. N. Carolina 16 North Carolina 7 3 6 0-16 Utah 10 20 7 9-46

Utah First Quarter
NC—Hedgecok I run (Barth Kick), 9:15.
Utah—MJohnson 6 run (Borreson kick), 6:42
Utah—FG Borreson 22:58.
Utah—Ganther 5 pass from Smith (Borreson kick) or on kick).

Second Quarter
Utah—Ganther 5 pass from Smith (Borreson kick), 13:39
NC—FG Barth 29, 9:45
Utah—Savoy 46 pass from Smith (Borreson kick), 7:50.
Utah—Warren 6 pass from Smith (kick

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Third Quarter

Utah—Smith 5 run (Carroll kick), 10:17

NC—Hedgecock 1 run (run failed), 1:57.

Fourth Quarter

Utah—Madsen 15 pass from Smith (Carroll

kick), 12:30 Utah—Safety, Marshall blocked punt out of end zone, 6:44. A—45,319.

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No. 23 Texas A&M 36, No. 16 Oklahoma State 20 14 13 9 0-36 0 6 0 14-20

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Second Quarter FAM-McNeal 3 run (kick failed), 12:42. DSU-Donovan Woods 2 run (kick faile :33.
TAM—Mobley 55 pass from McNeal (Pegram kick), :00.

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Woods 11-38, Shaw 8-27, Éiliott 2-8, Willis 2-1, D'Juan Woods I-(minus 5), Pena I-(minus 8), Passing—Texas A&M, McNeal 19-25-0-288. Okla, St., Donovan Woods 15-26-0-202. Receiving—Texas A&M, Murphy 5-104, Carter 3-29, Molpley 2-73, Tydyor 2-24, J. Tho-mas 2-19, Lewis 1-9, T. Thomas 1-9, Franks 1-9, Riley 1-8, Joseph 1-4. Oklas St., D'Juan Woods 5-92, Bajema 5-55, Johnson 2-25, Mack 1-12, Elitott 1-9, Willis 1-2.

Michigan St. 51, No. 19 Minnesota 17

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Mich – Teague 49 run (Rayner kick), 229.
Mich – Rose 49 run (Rayner kick), 153.
Second Quarter
Mich – Knott 36 pass from Stanton (Rayner kick), 143.
Mich – FG Rayner 22, 20.
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Third Quarter
Mich-Caulcrick 10 run (Rayner kick), 11:33.
Mich-FG Rayner 23, 7:43.
Mich-FG Rayner 37, 2:42.
Minn-Wheelwright 35 pass from Cupito
(Rhys kick), :18.

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No. 21 Boise St. 45, Tulsa 42 Boise St Tulsa 7 14 7 17-45 0 14 21 7-42

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(Jones kick), 9:15.
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BS—Zabransky 5 run (Jones kick), 7:23.
TU—Killan 1 run (DeVault kick), 3:48.
BS—Acree 28 pass from Carpenter (Jones kick), 1:36.

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TU-Diles 17 pass from Kilian (DeVault
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BS—Zabransky 11 run (Jones kick), 7:16.
TU—Landrum 25 pass from Killan (DeVault kick), 4:13.
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BS-Carter 2 run (Jones klck), 1:24.
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Fla—Wynn 5 run (Leach kick), :33. Second Quarter Fla—Caldwell 62 pass from Leak (Leach

MT-Wright 37 pass from Marks (Smith kick), 8:53. Fla—Wynn 15 run (Leach kick), 3:24. MT—FG Smith 41, :00.

Third Quarter
Fla—Jackson 33 pass from Leak (Leach kick), 12:52. MT-FG Smith 27, 7:23.

Fla—Fason 20 run (Leach kick), 5:41. Fla—Wynn 9 run (Leach kick), :02. A—80,018.

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Wynn 15-81, Fason 12-48, Leak 1-6, Lawrence 3-5, Jackson 1-7

3-9, Jackson 1-1.

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Alabama 27, No. 24 Southern Mississippi 3 0 3 0 0-3 10 3 0 14-27

Alabama First Quarter
Ala—FG Bostick 45, 6:25.
Ala—Castille 1 run (Bostick kick), 3:13.
Second Quarter
USM—FG McCaleb 37, 13:41.

Fourth Quarter
Ala—Darby 12 pass from Pennington (Bostick kick), 14:55. tick kick), 14:55. Ala—Darby 9 run (Bostick kick), 5:31.

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ime of Possession 25:29 3/453 INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS Rushing-Southern Miss, Harris 11-50, Thomas 7-49, Moore 11-39, Young 1-8, Carter 7-2, Alabama, Darby 29-197, Castille 12-47, Johns 6-21, Prothro 1-6, McClain 1-2, Pennington 2-(minus 11).

is 11). ng—Southern Miss, Carter 5-20-1-16, 1-3-0-7. Alabama, Pennington Passing—Southern Miss, Carter 5-20-1-10, Young 1-30-7. Alabama, Pennington 4-9-1-72. Receiving—Southern Miss, Lawrence 1-12. Perine 1-10, Courington 1-8, Johnson 1-7, Moore 1-0, Harris 1-(minus 14). Alabama, Darby 2-11, Prothro 1-35, Caddell 1-25, Caddell 1-26.

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Receiving — Ohio St. Holmes 4-5-5, Hamby Receiving — Ohio St. Holmes 4-5-2 Glorin 1-19, Hall 1-10, Gorzalez 1-9, Iowa, Solomon 1-131, Hinkel 6-76, Holloway 5-64, Chandler 2-14, Mickens 2-14, Townsend 1-14, Brownlee 1-10, Davis 1-5, Simmons 1-5, Simmons 1-10, Davis 1-5, Simmons 1-10, Davis 1-5, Simmons 1-10, Davis 1-5, Simmons 1-10, Davis 1

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Army—Jones 6 run (Jónes run), 12:21.
Army—Jones 13 run (Miller kick), 6:25.
Army—Jones 1 run (Miller kick), 2:24
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Saturday's stars

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Smith.

IJ. Arrington, California, ran for a career-best 205 yards and two touchdowns for the Golden Bears, who rebounded from last week's heartbreaking loss to top-ranked Southern California with a 45-28 win over UCLA.

■ Drew Stanton, Michigan State, passed for 308 yards and ran for 102 to lead the Spar-

for 285 yards and ran for 1821 to lead the Spain tasts to 8.51.1 victory over No. 19 Minneso-tas Stanton's 410 yards of total offense est a Beggie Mekell Texas A&M, threw two touchdown passes and ran for two more scores to help No. 21 reas A&M beat No. 16 Secretary of the Stanton Spain B Carlton Jones, Army, ran for 225 yards and five touchdowns to help Army beat South Florida 42.25. South Florida 42.35.

■ Mason Crosby, Colorado, kicked four field goals – one a school record 60-yarder and another from 54 yards – to lead the Buffaloes to a 19-14 victory over lowa State.
■ Michael Hart, Michigan, rushed for 234 yards to help the No. 14 Workerines rally to the second-ranked Sooners to a 18-00 White, Oklahoma, threw four touchdown passes to rally the second-ranked Sooners to a 31-21 win over Kansas State.

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Cavaliers cut down to size

Florida St. thumps higher-ranked Virginia

BY BRENT KALLESTAD

The Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Virginia was ranked higher than Florida State and looking for its first road victory against a top-10 team. The No. 6 Cavaliers couldn't even get a touchdown Saturday.

"When the Florida State defense comes to play . . . you see what happens," Seminoles linebacker Buster Davis said. "We shut teams down."

Wyatt Sexton's precision passing took care of the offense as the No. 7 Seminoles rolled to a 36-3 victory over previously undefeated Virginia and picked up their first victory over a higher ranked team since the 1998 season.

Tailback Lorenzo Booker rushed for a career-high 123 yards and two touchdowns, while Florida State's defense limited Virginia to 20 yards rush-

ing.
"You get no field position and that's a [death] sentence against a team like this," Virginia coach Al Groh said. "It always has been."

Groh said it was the best Florida State team he's seen since coming to Virginia four years ago. "They do nothing to make it easy on an opponent,"

Sexton completed 20 of 26 passes for 275 yards and a touchdown despite having five passes dropped. He has completed 66.1 percent of his passes for 846 yards and five touchdowns since replac-

ing Chris Rix as the starter last month.
"I couldn't ask for a better outing from Wyatt,"
Florida State Bobby Bowden said. "He's gotten better every game. It's kind of too good to be true right now."

Sexton, however, was modest about his second near-flawless performance in three weeks. "The offensive line made things easy for me," he said. "All I had to do was drop back and do what I've been coached to do."

Florida State (5-1, 3-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) easily played its best game of the season, getting big plays from its special teams and beating Virginia for the seventh straight time at home.

Florida State snapped a string of six straight losses against top-10 opponents. With No. 5 Purdue also losing, the Seminoles will likely move up in the rankings. Their only loss was 16-10 in overtime to Miami in their opener.

Virginia (S-1, 2-1 ACC) came into the game averaging 42.4 points and 493.2 yards, but was unable to run against Florida State's vaunted rush defense, which gave up just 5 yards in the first half. Virginia's only points came on a 23-yard field goal

by Connor Hughes as time expired in the first half.
Only the elusiveness of Virginia quarterback
Marques Hagans got the Cavaliers on the scoreboard. Under a heavy rush all night, Hagans managed to complete nine of 11 passes to set up the field

Hagans completed 20 of 30 passes for 214 yards with one interception before leaving after three quarters in favor of Christian Olsen.

Sexton, meanwhile, was slicing up the Cavaliers. The sophomore shook off the early drops and completed pass after pass, one a perfectly thrown ball to Chauncey Stovall, who outjumped Virginia's Marcus Hamilton for the ball and a 19-0 lead.

Despite four drops, Sexton completed 16 of 21 passes for 179 yards and a touchdown in the first half, throwing to nine receivers.

Florida State's special teams started the scoring. Linebacker Ernie Sims broke free from his left side and blocked Sean Johnson's punt into the end zone midway through the first quarter for a safety.



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Wisconsin's Robert Brooks, front, and Scott Starks hit Purdue quarterback Kyle Orton forcing a fumble that Starks returned for the game-winning touchdown late in the fourth quarter.

Wisconsin pounces on Purdue miscues

By Jon Krawczynski The Associated Press

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — With less than three minutes to play and Wisconsin trailing Purdue by three points, Badgers cornerback Scott Starks suddenly had the game sitting at his feet.

Starks returned a fumble by Purdue quarterback Kyle Orton 40 yards for a touchdown to lift 10th-ranked Wisconsin to a 20-17 victory over No. 5 Purdue.

The Boilermakers (5-1, 2-1 Big Ten) were clinging to a 17-14 lead when Orton went off on a naked bootleg and lunged in an attempt to gain a first down. Starks hit Orton low and safety Robert Brooks hit him high, forcing the

Starks scooped up the loose ball and sprinted to the end zone with 2:36 to play, capping a stunning comeback for the Badgers (7-0, 4-0), who are 7-0 for just the second time since 1912. "If the ball would've been

bouncing around, I probably would have just covered it." Starks said. "But it was just sit ting there. I saw the perfect opportunity there."

The play was reviewed, and replays showed the ball was out before Orton's arm hit the ground. "I've been in this racket for a

"I've been in this racket for a long time," Wisconsin coach Barry Alvarez said. "And I've never been part of a game like this."

Orton tried to recover on the ensuring series, driving the Boilermakers to the Wisconsin 25. But Ben Jones' 42-yard field goal was wide right, and the Badgers ran out the clock.

"We had a chance at the end; we just blew it," Orton said. Until Starks' big play, the Boil-

Until Starks' big play, the Boilermakers — not the Badgers appeared poised to join Michigan as the only Big Ten teams with perfect conference records.

Orton scored from 6 yards out

with 8 minutes to play — the first scoring run allowed by the Badgers this season — to give Purdue a 17-7 lead.

That kicked off a scoring binge

at the end of a game that had been a defensive slugfest. Badgers sophomore quarter-

Badgers sophomore quarterback John Stocco calmly led a 73-yard drive and hit Booker Stanley for a 7-yard TD that pulled

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"There were plays there to be

made, "Purdue coach Joe Tiller said, "The defense had a chance to make a play to stop the drive, and they didn't. The offense had a chance to make a play to keep a drive going, and they didn't. The kicking game had a chance to make a play, and they didn't. When you don't make plays, you don't beat a team like Wisconsin." Fittingly, if was Wisconsin's defense that did come through.

"A lot of guys don't do that, a lot of guys just jump on the ball," Alvarez said of Starks' big play. "His awareness was unbeliev-

able."

The Boilermakers came into the game averaging more than the game averaging more than but Orton and company were shut down on Saturday. The hadn't faced a defense as tough as Wisconsin's, which entered leading the nation in scoring yield at

Orton was 25-for-45 for 235 yards and a touchdown, but had a pass intercepted and lost two fumbles in critical situations.

6.5 points a game.

"They're a very good defense," Orton said. "The best front four I've probably ever seen in the Big

Boise St. extends streak on late FG

BY CLAYTON BELLAMY

The Associated Press

he said

TULSA, Okla. — Tyler Jones never doubted he'd be able to kick with the game on the line. Antwaun Carter scored on a 2-yard run with less than two minutes remaining, and Jones kicked a 46-yard field goal with 3 seconds remaining to rally No. 21

Boise State to a 45-42 victory over Tulsa on Saturday night. "It's taken me a long time to get to a situation like this in my career," Jones said. "I was just proud to be able to make the kick and of being prepared.

"There was no doubt in my mind about making that kick." Carter scored with 1:24 left to tie the game 42-42 as the Broncos (6-0,3-0 Western Athletic Conference) won their 17th straight, the longest winning streak in the na-

James Kilian threw three touchphysics, including a 23-yarder to Cory Hathaway, to give Tulsa the lead in the fourth quarter. Kilian also ran for two scores for the Golden Hurricane (1-5, 0-2).

"There's a lot of guys in there

niere's a not of guys in there hurting right now because it was a game we felt like, going into the game, we could have won," Tulsa coach Steve Kragthorpe said. "As the game unfolded, it was a game we felt like we could win."

Boise State took possession at its 39 with 46 seconds remaining. Carter picked up 13 yards on two runs and caught a 9-yard pass, helping move the Broncos to the Tulsa 28 and set up Jones' winning field goal.



Boise State kicker Tyler Jones jumps in celebration after making a field goal in the final seconds of the game, while Tulsa's Jermain Hope stands amid the Boise State celebration on Saturday night.

Tulsa's last chance went by the board when Ashlan Davis lost a fumble at the Boise State 48 as time expired.

"I enjoyed the whole game," Boise State coach Dan Hawkins said. "I really did. A lot of times people say it's nerve-racking, but for me, it's a chess match."

Jared Zabransky rushed for two touchdowns and threw for one as Boise State extended its conference winning streak to 21 games, a stretch that dates to 2001 when the Broncos joined the WAC.

T.J. Acree caught nine passes for 181 yards, including TD receptions of 7 and 28 yards from Zabransky. Zabransky finished 17-for-31 for 233 yards. He rushed for 80 yards on 12 carries, including touchdowns of 11 and 5 yards.

Boise State hasn't lost since falling 26-24 at Oregon State Sept. 20, 2003, but that streak appeared in jeopardy when Kilian scored from the 1 with 16 seconds left in the third quarter, giving Tulsa a 35-28 lead

Carter's 2-yard run capped a 90-yard scoring drive and tied the game at 42 after Kilian's pass to Hathaway.

Tulsa failed to get a first down and had to punt, giving the ball back to the Broncos with just enough time left to win it or, failing that, force overtime.

Irish start fast, extend streak over Mids to 41

BY KENT BAKER The Baltimore Sun

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. -The Streak is very much alive and still getting Navy's goat.

This was supposed to be the vear when the previously unvanquished Midshipmen could play with Notre Dame and possibly end the longest-running domination by one school over another in NCAA Division I-A history.

But the Irish seized the initiative from the outset Saturday at Giants Stadium and squashed Na-vy's lofty hopes, 27-9, before

76,166 wind-chilled fans. The defeat spilled Navy (5-1) from the list of 14 Division I-A teams that entered the weekend undefeated and extended to 41 its consecutive failures against the Irish, which performed like a team that has its sights set on an attractive bowl bid. Navy has not won in the series since 1963, when Roger Staubach was a junior en route to the Heisman Trophy.

There was no close call or heartbreaking ending this time. Notre Dame (5-2) marched 81 and 68 yards to touchdowns on its first two possessions, taking firm control it never relinquished. Superiply too much to overcome for Navy, which could not muster the near-perfect effort it required to remain competitive.

"When we got it down to 17-3 [at the start of the second half], they proceeded to just mash us again," said Navy coach Paul Johnson. "This year they beat us pretty good."

The Midshipmen received the second-half kickoff and drove 81 yards to a 29-yard Geoff Blumenfeld field goal, their chance for a touchdown foiled by a Marco Nelson fumble on a pitch

Notre Dame had an immediate answer. Senior running back Rvan Grant accounted for 64 of the 73 yards covered via rushes or pass receptions, taking a pitch the final yard for a touchdown to restore order at 24-3. On the next play from scrimmage, Navy receiver Lloyd Regas fumbled on a reverse and Derek Landri recovered for the Irish at the Navy 13.

A second D.J. Fitzpatrick field goal followed, boosting the margin to 24 points and effectively ending any remaining suspense.
"We had to play mentally per-

fect to have a chance in this game and we didn't do that," said Navy

quarterback Aaron Polanco, who was sacked five times and did not complete a pass until the seventh play of the fourth quarter.

Notre Dame's lines pushed their counterparts all over the field early. A harbinger of what was to come arrived on the first drive when the Midshipmen surrended only their second first-quarter touchdown this season. The other was by Northeastern - after an interception return to the Navy 1

In addition, ill-timed mistakes or misfortune kept undermining the Midshipmen.

Linebacker Lane Jackson ap peared to have aim on Irish quarterback Brady Ouinn on a first-quarter blitz, but fell. Quinn sidestepped him and completed a third-down pass to Matt Shelton for a 30-yard gain.

Two plays later, Grant scored his first touchdown for a 14-0 lead. Guard Dennis Ray Phillips jumped offsides when Navy was trying to convert a fourth-and-1 at its own 26 on the first play of the second quarter. The Midshipmen had to punt.

The Midshipmen were still holding onto hope when their run-



Navy punt returner Jason Tomlinson is tackled by Notre Dame punter D.J. Fitzpatrick (19) after a 25-yard return in the fourth quarter.

ning game began clicking on their first second-half possession, but they never mustered a spark that might have changed the tenor.

"The defense needed to get some turnovers, and we didn't get a single one," said safety Josh

It marked the second consecutive season in which the Irish did not give away the ball once against Navy. Navy managed 216 net yards rushing on 61 carries.

"The reason we were running the ball so much is that we couldn't protect to throw it," said Johnson, "It doesn't make much sense to throw it when the quarterback is looking up at the sky every time he drops back."

Dailey's record day helps Huskers rebound

LINCOLN, Neb. - Joe Dailey became the first Nebraska quarterback to throw for more than 300 yards and tied a school record with five touchdown passes as the Cornhuskers bounced back from the

College

worst loss in school history to beat Baylor

59-27 on Saturday. Dailey was 13-for-20 for 342 yards, breaking the record of 297 yards set by Dave Humm against Wisconsin in 1973.

Dailey threw touchdowns of 27 and 45 yards to Isaiah Fluellen in the last 1:21 of the first half to give the Huskers a 31-3

Nebraska (4-2, 2-1 Big 12) had no turnovers after committing seven in last week's 70-10 loss at Texas Tech. The Huskers had turned the ball over 23 times in their first five games. Baylor (2-4, 0-3) is 0-34 in Big 12 road

The Huskers kept the ball on the ground on 20 of their first 24 plays from scrimmage

Colorado 19. lowa State 14: Mason Crosby kicked four field goals — one a school record 60-varder and another from 54 yards - and host Colorado handed the Cyclones (2-4, 0-3 Big 12) their 13th straight conference loss

Colorado (4-2, 1-2) started sophomore James Cox at quarterback in place of Joel Klatt, then switched back after Cox threw an intercention late in the second quarter

Iowa State muffed two punts and missed two short field goal attempts. N.C. State 13, Maryland 3: North Caro-lina State (4-2, 3-1 ACC) yielded five first

downs, 24 yards passing and only 91 total yards to end a four-game skid against Maryland (3-3, 1-2)

Virginia Tech 62, Florida A&M 0: In Blacksburg, Va., Bryan Randall threw four touchdown passes and Virginia Tech (5-2) forced five turnovers against the Division I-AA Rattlers (2-5)

Clemson 35, Utah State 6: Reggie Merriweather had two of Clemson's four rushing touchdowns to help the host Tigers (2.4) snan a four-game losing streak. The Aggies (2-5) lost their third straight.

Georgia Tech 24, Duke 7: In Atlanta, P.J. Daniels rushed for 114 yards and threw the first touchdown pass of his career while freshman Calvin Johnson caught two TD passes for the Yellow Jackets (4-2, 3-2 ACC)

Tech had five sacks and held Duke (1-5, 0-3) to 184 yards.

Pittsburgh 20, Boston College 17 (OT): Josh Cummings kicked a 27-vard field goal and cornerback Mike Phillips then forced a fumble to preserve Pitt's overtime victory at home

The Eagles (4-2, 1-1 Big East) forced overtime with a 10-play, 89-yard drive that ended with a 10-yard touchdown pass from Paul Peterson (32-for-53 for a career-best 367 yards and two TDs) to Larry Lester with 3:26 left.

Tyler Palko was 12-for-27 for 132 yards and ran for 55 yards and a score for Pitt (4-2, 2-1).

Rutgers 16, Temple 6: Jeremy Ito kicked three field goals and Ryan Hart threw a late touchdown pass to help host Rutgers (4-2) hold off Temple (1-6) desnite committing five turnovers

Barons' running game too much for Hohenfels

Bamberg rolled up 594 yards of total offense Saturday night, crushing the Hohen-fels Tigers 45-12 in a nonconference high school football clash of Division III teams at Hohenfels, Germany,

The Barons got 504 of those yards on the ground, a total helped by a pair of TD runs by Miguel Lozada, one of them for 45 yards. Lozada also grabbed a 15-yard TD pass from quarterback Kris Starr that capped a 65-yard third-quarter drive. Starr was 5-for-9 for 90 yards on the day.

Tim Battle and Christian Peel also ran for touchdowns

Peel had a 22-yard field goal with 2:10 to play in the second quarter, and defensive tackle Carlos Zapata recovered a Hohenfels fumble in the end zone for a touch-down 25 seconds later to put the Barons up 23-0 at the break.

Hohenfels, the Division III-C run-ner-up which fell to 3-2 on the season, scored on third-period runs by Brandon Merriweather and Jamal Green. The Tigers were stymied the rest of the time by a Bamberg defense led by Tim Battle and C.J. Battle, who were in on 12 tackles each. Tim Battle had a pair of sacks among his stops while brother C.J. assisted on four sacks. Bamberg, the Division III-D run-

ner-up, won its third straight game and improved to 3-2. It will open the European Division III playoffs on Saturday at unbeaten Menwith Hill, the III-A champs.

Hohenfels also opens the playoffs on the road, at III-B champ Sigonella, on Sat-

High school scoreboard

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A Boston massacre



In New York's 19-8 victory Saturday, the Yankees scored the second-most runs in a playoff game and their 22 hits broke the ALCS record set by Boston against the Yankees in 1999. Alex Rodriguez, Gary Sheffield, Hideki Matsui and Bernie Williams were 16-for-22 with 15 RBIs and 14 runs.

Yankees take 3-0 lead over beleaguered Sox

BY RONALD BLUM

BOSTON — The Yankees kept circling the bases, battering Boston's beleaguered pitching staff. By the time the long, long night ended with a devastating 19-8 romp over the Red Sox, the dreaded New Yorkers were just one game away from a shocking sweep.

Gary Sheffield, Hideki Matsui and Alex Rodriguez turned Game 3 of the AL championship series into a big round of batting practice Saturday night.

Sheffield broke a 6-all tie with a three-run homer off Curtis Leskanic in the fourth inning, Matsui had five hits, five RBIs and five runs, and Rodriguez homered and scored five times.

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"We feel like we have a whole lot of momentum," Rodriguez said. "It doesn't matter who we're facing."

we're racing:

New York, which has won six straight postseason games, had 22 hits, eight of them doubles. That was more than enough offense on a
night Javier Vazquez relieved an ineffective
Kevin Brown to get just his second win in
more than two months.

No major league baseball team has overcome a 3-0 deficit in a best-of-seven series, and 20 of the 25 that lost the first three games went down in four straight. The Yankees have four tries to get the victory they need for the seventh AL pennant in nine seasons since Joe

Torre took over as manager, their 40th overall. "We knew going in that it was going to be a tough series," Torre said. "To be up 3-0, I think we're surprised."

Orlando Hernandez will try to close it out Sunday night for the Yankees, with Boston



In a scene that played out continually on Saturday night, Boston manager Terry Francona, left, removes a pitcher from Game 3. Red Sox starter Bronson Arroyo, right, gave up six runs. six hits and two homers in two innings.

most starting Derek Lowe. Tim Wakefield, originally slated to start Game 4, was used in relief Saturday.

The game took 4 hours, 20 minutes, the longest nine-inning game in postseason history. It was a tribute to the batters and an embarrassment to pitchers, many of whom resembled castoffs from cellar-dwellers rather than key

components of contenders.

Even when the Yankees took an 11-6 lead in a fiver-run fourth, the crowd of 35,126 at Fenway Park stayed put, knowing the Red Sox had nearly overcome an eight-run deficit in Tuesday's opener. But New York kept scoring

and the fans grew quiet, as if doom already had descended on a town that wants nothing more than to shake The Curse.

That may be tough.
"It starts to look daunting if you look at too big a picture," Boston manager Terry Francona said.

The hits and runs came so quickly it was hard to keep track how many the Yankees put up. The person running the hand-operated board fell behind in the ninth inning, and

the beam in the mini mining, and couldn't replace the panels fast enough.

The night's Big Three — Sheffield, Matsui and Rodriguez — did plenty of damage on their own, going 12-for-16 with five doubles, four homers and 12 RBIs.

There were 170 pitches in the first three innings, which took 1:45 to play. Brown and Boston's Bronson Arroyo didn't make it to the third.

Vazquez, with just one win in 10 starts since Aug. 6, allowed two runs in the third inning and two in the seventh, but shut down Boston for three innings in between. He allowed four runs and seven hits in 4½ innings before Paul Quantrill entered in the seventh, one out after a two-run homer by Jason Varitek.

Sheffield, who had four hits and four RBIs, turned the game in the fourth, when the scow was 6-6. Mendoza hit Miguel Cairo with a pitch leading off, and Leskanic relieved with one out and walked Rodriguez. Sheffield then homered over the Green Monster.

The scoring began 13 pitches in, when Rodriguez doubled home Derek Jeter. Matsui's two-run homer into the right-field bullpen made it 3-0.

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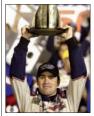
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